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WORLD OF RADIO 1640 HEADLINES:

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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1640, October 25-31, 2012

Thu 0330	WRMI	9955	[confirmed on webcast]
Thu 2100	WTWW	9479	[confirmed]
Fri 0329v	WWRB	5050	[could not play back], now moved to 3195
Sat 0130v	WBCQ	5110v-CUSB	Area 51 [confirmed]
Sat 0630	HLR	7265	Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 0800	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1500	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1630	HLR	7265	Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1730	WRMI	9955	
Sun 0200	WTWW	5085	[or 0130; experimental; apparently not this week]
Sun 0400	WTWW	5745	[confirmed]
Sun 0800	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1530	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1730	WRMI	9955	
Mon 0500	WRMI	9955	
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955	
Thu 0330	WRMI	9955	[or maybe 1641 if ready in time]

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** ALASKA. So far only the Russian website of KNLS presents the B-12 schedule, but it includes the other two languages, English and Chinese. They hope to have two transmitters once again after having to cut back to only one for a couple of years, it seems:

08 9655-C 7355-E
09 9655-C 9680-R
10 9615-C 7355-E
11 9615-C 9680-R
12 9615-E 7355-E
13 9680-C 7355-C
14 9615-C 7355-E
15 9655-C 9680-R
16 7355-C 6190-R
17 9655-C 6190-R
<http://www.knls.net/rus/schedule.htm>

[English: WORLD OF RADIO 1640]

Tnx to tip in RusDX 21 Oct:

``Received a message from Constantine Chernushenko (Russian Department KNLS):

Dmitry, the final version is ready.

<http://knls.net/rus/schedule.htm>

The extent to which we hope the engineers - broadcast will be with two transmitters. If something changes, it will tell at once. Konstantin.

KNLS in the Russian language (V-12):

0900-1000 - 9680

1100-1200 - 9680

1500-1600 - 9680

1600-1700 - 6180

1700-1800 - 6180

(Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / ideneb-radio-dxî)``

Note the discrepancy as the website now shows 6190, not 6180

(Glenn Hauser, OK, October 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALASKA. 28375-USB, Oct 21 at 1919, KL7NO, ``north of Fairbanx``, working an unheard W5 in San Antonio. 10 meters has been wide open lately (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALBANIA. R. Tirana, 28 October 2012-30 March 2012 (Tentative B-12)

Albanian

0800-0900 Eu daily 7390sh

0901-1000 Eu daily 7390sh 1395fl

1500-1630 Eu daily 1458fl

0000-0100 NAm daily 7465sh

English

2100-2130 Eu mo-sa 7465sh

0230-0300 NAm tu-su 6100sh

French

1830-1900 Eu mo-sa 7465sh

German

2031-2100 Eu mo-sa 7465sh

Greek

1645-1700 Eu mo-sa 1458fl

Italian

1800-1830 Eu mo-sa 6040sh

Serbian

2115-2130 Eu mo-sa 1458fl

Turkish

1930-2000 Eu mo-sa 1458f1

(/R Tirana via Wolfgang Bueschel re-arranged by Alan Roe, Teddington, UK), dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALBANIA. 9590, Oct 23 at 0517, CRI Arabic via Cîrrik, which had been distorted, has almost recovered, but is still slightly clearer and stronger on // 9515 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALGERIA [non]. 9535, Oct 19 at 0537, Qur'an from RTA relay via FRANCE, almost as good as 7295, which is also Qur'an but NOT //. One of them is Chaône 1 which also has 5 minutes of French news on the hour, otherwise Arabic, per Ivo Ivanov.

9535, Oct 20 at 0536, RTA via FRANCE, with ``pure`` Qur'an, while non-// 7295 sounded impure but still Qur'anish.

9535, Oct 22 at 0521, Arabic sufficient here, in RTA relay via Issoudun, FRANCE; 7295 at 0523 is non // with a song, while 9535 is talk (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Télévision Algérienne heard this morning 0500-0505 with a news bulletin in French on 7295 (Issoudun, France). At the end: "C'est la fin de ce journal, je vous donne rendez-vous demain pour d'autres nouvelles" (It's the end of this bulletin, I'll be back tomorrow for more news) (JM Aubier, France, Oct 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS [and non]. AIR Port Blair doing well on 4760 about 1328, but went off the air at 1334*; back by 1455, but off again at 1456*. Transmitter problems or problems with supply of power? Too bad, as their signal was good. AIR Leh still seems to be on 4660 with open carrier, but I am never hearing any audio. Oct 18 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, California, USA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. 13363.55 USB [sic: has been LSB previously], FM Pop, Buenos Aires, 1030 UT. "Feliz día de las madres en FM Pop, envía tu mensaje ..." 45544. 1048 corte de señal. Me cuelgo para desear un bello día a los amigos que la tienen!!! (CE3BBC, Hugo López C., Santiago de Chile, Oct 21, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. 11710.6 ñ Radiodifusión Argentina al Exterior, Buenos Aires-General Pacheco; 0130 Japanese program, into Spanish 0155, then Spanish ID into English at 0200; fair 10/16 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. Trans World Radio Israel ñ Kol Hayeshuah (Voice of

Salvation) via Gavar site on MW 1350 was heard on 12-15 October 2012 as follows: from 1800 in Kurdish and from 1814 to 1844 in Turkish (often in other days with reading in English and translated in Turkish also) with one beam, next break and from 1846 IS of TWR and program till 1916 ñ Friday in Russian, Saturday in English and Sun-Thu in Hebrew. Address given was P. O. Box 8043, 91080 Jerusalem (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 2485 kHz, Northern Territories Service noted rising to a fair level between 1100 and 1120 this morning with sports match between the Australian Wallabies and the New Zealand All-Blacks. (Wallabies were winning at last check.) 2325 kHz also noted carrying the same program, but not as strong. I have not heard any signal on 2310 kHz this year. 10/20/12 (Art Delibert, North Bethesda, MD, NRD 535D with SE-3 Synch Detector, Pennant Antenna with DX Engineering Pre-amp, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) Because 2310 has been replaced by 4835 24 hours (gh, DXLD)

** AUSTRIA [and non]. TWR B-12: see EUROPE

** BAHRAIN. 16/10, 9745, 0348 Arab songs, C+USB, S2 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 15105, Oct 18 at 1256, Bangladesh Betar-style signal with talk, presumably English, very poor signal, 1259 tone and off, taking with it the transmitted background noise. Brian Alexander observes this 1230 broadcast often starts very late into the semihour.

15505, Oct 18 at 1358, very poor BB carrier is on but badly squeezed between 15500 Firedrake, 15502 V. of Tibet carrier, 15510 V. of Russia. Could not hear any IS or TS, but 1400 recognizable Urdu service opening theme music.

15105, Oct 21 at 1255, no signal from BB; propagation should have been sufficient; 15090 Kuwait is audible.

15505, Oct 21 at 1400, no signal from BB Urdu service either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, no signal on Oct. 21 on all frequencies!

Final summer A-12 of Bangladesh Betar:

1230-1300 on 15105 DKA 250 kW / 140 deg to SEAs English
1315-1345 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to SoAs Nepali
1400-1430 on 15505 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to WeAs Urdu
1515-1545 on 15505 DKA 250 kW / 305 deg to SoAs Hindi
1600-1630 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Arabic
1630-1730 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Bangla

1745-1900 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English
1915-2000 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Bangla
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BANGLADESH. 15105, Oct 22 at 1256, S Asian song, fair signal, 1259 YL signing English off to ``Dear listeners --- coming to the end --- Bangladesh Betar``, and Optimod grows the hum until carrier off.

15505, Oct 22 at 1359 no signal, but *1400 carrier on with no IS or TS, 1400:10 JIP BB Urdu theme music and sign-on. Ivo Ivanov confirms that all BB frequencies were off the air Oct 21 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15105, Bangladesh Betar, *1229-1300*, Oct 23, sign on with IS. 6 time pips at 1230 and opening announcements in English. Local subcont music and English talk. Speech by man at approximately 1250. Sign off with 5 second test tone. Weak but readable (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

15505, Oct 23 at 1358, Bangladesh Betar on the air in time for a change to play a bit of IS, very poor with flutter; time signal ending early at 1359:45, opening Urdu. I think I also heard a bit of signal before 1300 on 15105 for English too (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15505, Bangladesh Betar, *1358-1430*, Oct 23, sign on with IS. 6 time pips and opening announcements in listed Urdu. Subcont music. Urdu talk. Fair to good.

15505, Bangladesh Betar, *1514-1545*, Oct 23, sign on with IS. 6 time pips and opening announcements in listed Hindu at 1515. Subcont music. Talk in Hindu. 6 second test tone at 1545 sign off. Fair to good (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

15505, Oct 24 at 1358, BB is on with IS; and timesignal ending at 1359:48, only 12 seconds early, opening Urdu. Mired in Mexican and non mediumwave, I did not get around to checking for BB English on 15105 before 1300 today (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS [non]. GERMANY/ASCENSION ISLAND: Radio Belarus German service via Kall transmitter starts very odd and need 30 minutes to align exact frequency 6005.000 kHz at 0630 UT.

Starts at 0600 UT 6005.099 kHz het heavily 99 Hertz against BBC WS English from Ascension Island co-channel. The lady news reader from Minsk Belarus program just tells something of an aircraft incident. After 10 minutes, the transmitter is already at odd 38 Hertz down upper side. At 0618 UT, the offset is still 3 Hertz, and at 0622 UT

"zero beat" (Wolfgang B, schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 22 Oct via DXLD)

** BELGIUM [non]. Hi Ludo, do you have the current email address for Disco Palace? I would like to update it also for WRTH.
<http://www.facebook.com/groups/idxco.forum/permalink/412378118831283/>

[later: all these bounced with 550 error, failed permanently:

info@broadcast.be

<info@thediscopepalace.com>

Altho listed at <http://www.transmitter.org/contact.asp>

The same result:

<info@alyx-yeyi.com>

73, (Mauno Ritola, to Ludo Maes, cc to dxldyg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. CQ, CQ, CQ; Aquí Pedro F. Arrun-tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4699.94, R. San Miguel, Riberalta, 4/10 2250-2330, 33333, programa Noticiero en Contacto news ID iDe Radio San Migueli programa Estudio bíblico San Marcos 1019 mx religiosa.

6154.90, R. Fides, La Paz, 9/10 2240-2330, 44444, programa noticiero El Hombre Invisible news, ID iPor Radio Fides, la información sobre las AFPi (Pedro F. Arrun-tegui, Lima, Per', la recepción la he efectuado del 22/09 al 20/10 en compañía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 20 metros y una antena loop, Muchos 128¥s, Chasqui DX via DXLD)

Note: all his frequency measurements in this and other countries, MW and SW are on the low side or right on, never on the hi side. This is very improbable, so suspect his precision is a bit off (gh, DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 5580.2, Radio San José, San José de Chiquitos on air now 2320 to 2335 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.4, Bolivia, Radio Pío XII, Siglo XX, Llallagua, Potosi back on the air at 2330 Oct 18 after a period of non activity. Pulsating interference but clear signal (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOTSWANA. Radio Botswana 1215, AWOL? Hi everyone, Radio Botswana on 1215 kHz medium wave from Mahalapye appears to be off-air. I have not heard it for at least the past three nights, Oct 19, 20, 21.

Being a "local" station I don't normally log it, unless I am doing a complete medium wave trawl, the last being on July 2. Although I can't give exact dates I have heard it often since then. I would guess it has disappeared during the past week or two, but my memory is infamously poor.

The other Radio Botswana medium wave outlets, on 531, 558, 621, 693, 873, 945, 1071 and 1350 are all present and correct, in // and at varying strengths. So although I can't rule out propagation, it seems unlikely. And 1215 is normally the strongest and most reliable Radio Botswana signal reaching this most populous area of South Africa. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, Oct 21, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi everyone, Radio Botswana from Mahalapye is back on 1215. I have not heard it since October 19, but unsure if it was back last night (Oct 23) as I was unable to check then.

Radio Botswana, 1215 Mahalapye. Oct 24, Wednesday. 1710-1747. Afro music, into radio play from 1715-1740, then back to afro music. At 1745, sounds like the start of a religious slot. Good, marred only by an occasional noisy fade. Jo'burg sunset 1620. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Globo on 1220 from Virginia! Band is very 'southern' tonight. Globo on 1220 about 20 minutes ago:
<<http://realmonitor.com/stations/brazil-1220.wav>>
(Bill Whitacre, Alexandria, VA, 4-element Wellbrook delta array, 0045 UT Oct 25, IRCA via DXLD)

Thanks for the tip, Bill. Hearing the same here in Chicago area. Portuguese shouting man peaking at 20:35 and 20:39 Central Time. Hoping for ID on this one. This would be my first Brazilian in 32 years of trying (Christos Rigas, Wood Dale, Illinois, NRC AM via DXLD)

OK Chris, Globo ID's very often. If you haven't IDed them yet, this should be their webstream.
<http://radioglobo.globoradio.globo.com/player/playerAoVivoRJ.htm>
73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, Barrington Ilm Perseus and Double KAZ antenna aimed west, ibid.)

Welcometo the Globo club! I heard them last spring. Of course, in Newfoundland, it's a pest (Jim Renfrew, Byron NY, NRC-AM via DXLD)

Thanks for the link, Neil. Unfortunately after 2039 CT no trace of any programming matching the web stream. For the past 45 minutes just Cleveland, the oldies station and a Spanish speaking station looping SW, most likely Mexico. Will have to review the tape for IDs I might have missed in the 2025 - 2039 time frame (Christos Rigas, ibid.)

Review of the tape this morning produced a "Radio Globo" ID at 20:38 Central Time [0138 UT]. Brazil no. 1 and country no. 33 logged by me on MW in the Chicago area (Christos Rigas, Wood Dale, Illinois, ibid.)

Wish I could say I had a reasonable shot at Globo, but someone on 1220 is a bit off-frequency and it seems to be a station that's almost on a straight N-S line from Omaha. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska, Sangean ATS-909X barefoot, ibid.)

The off-frequency 1220 has been traced to KMVL in Madisonville TX. A real pest here, 11 watts?? Guess I should try for Brasil anyway. Viz.:

U S A. 1219.84, KMVL, TX, Madisonville - 10/8 0210 [EDT = 0610 UT] - Nostalgia music ("Let it Be Me;" "A Million to One;" etc.); male announcer with ID at 0220: "...1220 AM KMVL;" followed by more music. They run nostalgia all night, then at 0700 ELT: Insight for Living religious program. Separable on LSB from the 1220 group; only surfaces a few minutes each hour. Not surprising, considering their 11-watt flea power at night. This is my unID station of last week (John Wilkins, CO, NRC DX News Oct 24 [2011] via DXLD 11-40) (via Glenn Hauser, Enid, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. BRASIL: 4885, ZYG362, R·dio Clube do Par·; 0422-0430+, 16-Oct; M in Portuguese played two reggae tunes to extensive ID at 0428 with MW & SW frequencies, then into a cumbia. SI0=3+43- with swisher splash from 4890.

9645.4, ZYE957, R·dio Bandeirantes (tentative); 2211-2230+, 15-Oct; Portuguese drama to close at 2221 into ad/promo string. Pips at H:15 & BoH. SI0=433; // 11925 ZYE958, poor

15191.43, ZYE522, R·dio Inconfidência (tentative); 2213-2231+, 16-Oct; M&W in Portuguese alternating Brazilian news items; occasional bumper but no local ID even at BoH. SI0=453; // 6010 ZYE521 poor, but can tell it's //. No audio heard on 15190 all day from 1430 first check; only weak hets against Inconfidência (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4894.93, Radio Novo Tempo noted from 2255 to 2317, putting in best signal signal I've heard from them yet. Mix of pop music, talk and ads. Quick mention of "Novo Tempo" at 2307. There's a het -- maybe two of them -- on the high side, very close to 4895.00; the beat frequency is so low it's hard to really hear, but it makes Novo Tempo's signal sound distorted. And, of course, CODAR. 10/20/12 (Art Delibert, N. Bethesda, MD, WinRadio Excalibur Pro, NRD 535D with Sherwood SE-3, Pennant Antenna with DX Engineering Amp, Hard-Core-DX

mailing list via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Mais uma emissora incorporada pela Igreja Deus É Amor: 5014.95, 18/10 0235 UT, R·dio Cultura, Cuiab·, programa VÔz da LibertaÁ,,o, 24322 (audio baixo). 73 (Samuel C·ssio Martins, S,,o Carlos SP, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Samuel e demais, Se n,,o estou enganado este canal estava inativo h· muito tempo. Chamava-se R. Brasil Tropical, em Cuiab·. Pelo visto conseguiram a reativaÁ,,o! Na mesma frequÍncia (5015 kHz) e com a mesma potÍncia (1 KW) tinha ainda a R. Copacabana (RJ) e a R. Pioneira (Teresina-PI), todas desativadas. Vou tentar ouvÍ-la por aqui. 73 (Giuseppe Cysneiros, Santa Rita do SapucaÍ - MG, ibid.)

Bom dia a todos. Ela tambÈm foi sintonizada ontem, por volta da meia noite. Sinal fraco mas consistente. De inÍcio pensei que era um harmÚnico da radio Capixaba (4935). (George Cunha, Oct 18, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 5940.00, BRASIL, R. Mission·ria, Cambori·, 14/10 0515-0608, 33333, m·sica, programa M·sica para usted, m·sica, ID iR·dio Mission·ria para todo Brasil· ads (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per·, la recepciÚn la he efectuado del 22/09 al 20/10 en compaÒía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 20 metros y una antena loop, Muchos 128¥s, Chasqui DX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 01· Colegas, Estou com uma d·vida. Se alguÈm, principalmente de SP puder me responder, agradeceria imensamente. Desde o comeÁo do ano venho monitorando as frequÍncias de 5955 / 15325 kHz - R·dio Gazeta. Ela È facilmente sintonizada a 100 km de Goi,nia, em Silv,nia-Goi·s no sitio do meu pai (zona rural-sem QRM); o hor·rio È sempre o mesmo "ao cair da tarde" de 16:30 as 18:30 (BR) mais ou menos. Ela transmite programaÁ,,o da 890 AM e ainda veicula uma vinheta que confirma todas as "2" duas frequÍncias de ondas curtas 5955 e 15325 kHz. Essa r·dio est· em plena atividade? AlguÈm de SP poderia me responder? AbraÁo a todos e boas escutas (C·ssio Santos - Goi,nia, Goi·s, Oct 18, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Estranho eu tentar quase que diariamente captar a Gazeta nas 3 frequÍncias de Ondas Curtas (49 metros 5955 Khz, 31 metros 9685 Khz e 15325 khz 19 metros) e NADA desde meados de abril. Moro em Novo Hamburgo na grande Porto Alegre e a mesma sempre chegava aqui de dia com sinal fraco em 49 metros e bom a noite, e esporadicamente de dia em 19 metros. Uso o receptor Degen DE 1103 com antena RGP 34. (Edison Bocorny Jr., Novo Hamburgo - RS, 23 Oct, ibid.)

Pessoal, Para responder algumas perguntas sobre a Radio Gazeta de S,,o Paulo, ningUÈm melhor que o prÚprio Benedito Costa (ëFub·í),

Supervisor de Operações da emissora. Conhecendo-o de longa data, tenho certeza da presteza dele em responder às perguntas.

Um abraço a todos, e também ao Benedito! (Rudolf Grimm, ibid.)

SR CASSIO SECUNDINO BORGES SANTOS SECUNDINO, Goiânia - Goiás:

Primeiramente quero lhe agradecer por nos ter informado de sua audiência de DEXISTA DAS ONDAS CURTAS DE 49 METROS-FREQUENCIA DE 5955 KHz e A OUTRA ONDA CURTA DE 19 METROS-FREQUENCIA de 15325 kHz que você CASSIO no sítio de seu Pai aí em SILVANIA/GOIÁS captou com bastante nitidez A nossa transmissã,o.

A Rádio Gazeta AM 890 kHz e as Ondas Curtas de 19, 31 e 49 Metros estã,o conectadas (funcionam com a mesma programação). Mas, no momento as Ondas Curtas de 31 Metros-Frequência de 9685 estã,o passando por uma manutenã,o, organizaã,o e re-organizaã,o, portanto, nã,o sintonizar-se essa frequência nesse momento.

Meu caro Cassio: A Rádio Gazeta AM/OCs de 19, 31 e 49 estã,o trabalhando vinte e quatro horas no ar e passamos a atuar em conjunto com Faculdade Casper Líbero, ou seja, a Faculdade de Comunicaã,o Casper Líbero que dirige a programação desde 2008 e assim devendo passar por muitas alterações na sua estrutura programacional e organizacional.

Breve enviaremos relatos de nosso cotidiano e mais informações de nosso trabalho diário na programação e organizaã,o e prática dos trabalhos com os alunos que atuam na Rádio Gazeta AM 890 kHz.

Esperamos contar com a sua audiência e nos informe sempre que possível a captaã,o aí em Goiás da Rádio Gazeta AM E ONDAS CURTAS.

Grato, Benedito Leite da Costa, Supervisor de Operações, fuba@...
<http://www.casperlibero.edu.br/gazetaam>
(via Cassio, ibid.)

He says 5955 is down for maintenance, implying that the other SW frequencies are on the air. But they aren't. Especially 15325, which hasn't been reported for years. So, sorry, he is not the ultimate authority about his own station (gh, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 6120.01, Super Rádio Deus É Amor, 0525-0550, Oct 24, usual emotional Portuguese religious talk. Announcements. Promos. Weak. Poor with adjacent channel splatter. Weak // 6069.98. Fair to good on // 9565.07, 11764.91 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** BRAZIL. 6180, Oct 23 at 0520, RNB is off the air again, but still going strong on 11780.

6180, Oct 24 at 0523, RNB is back after missing 24 hours earlier, // 11780, both good (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 7169.45 kHz: Emissora n,,o identificada (supostamente uma estaÁ,,o clandestina), 18/10 2338. Sucessivas canÁies em PP sem identificaÁ,,o da origem da emissora ou outra comunicaÁ,,o por voz. Estilo musical de bom gosto, lembrando os velhos tempos da Radio Jornal do Brasil 940 kHz (hoje LBV Rio), ou a Excelsior S,,o Paulo 780 kHz, 35443. Rx: Icom IC-R75, Ant.: Horizontal 20m. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, S,,o Bernardo SP, <http://dxways-br.blogspot.com>
DX Clube do Brasil, <http://www.ondascurtas.com> radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Em 7145 kHz h· portadora sem modulaÁ,,o. Em 7170 kHz h· sequÍncia musical (ali·s de boa qualidade) Sinal forte chegando a Limeira sp --- N,,o se sabe a procedÍncia. Solicito aos colegas que chequem. 73 (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira sp, 24-10-2012, radioescutas yg via DXLD) timestamp on this item in digest was 8:58 am; zone? In the re yg archive, timestamp on it is 5:07, but in message list 5:58 am (gh, DXLD)

Amigos de Porto Alegre ou do RS. AlguÉm conseguiu captar por aqui? Aqui em POA, no Centro, onde moro, n,,o (Rogerio Guedes, 24 Oct, ibid.)

Time? Zone? Stamp on item in digest is 10:13 am. In radioescutas yg archive, timestamp is 6:09 am but in message list it's 7:13 am! BTW, Brasil is now on DST, so in most of the east ``BrasÍlia`` time is UT-2 instead of UT -3. What a mess! Notice the 3-hour discrepancy between two of the three times for each. If only people would include the true time in UT in the body of their posts (gh, ibid.)

Em Novo Hamburgo na regi,,o metropolitana de Porto Alegre, escuto algo em 7167 ± 7170 Khz ± noite, mas a intensidade do sinal É muito fraca, QRK 1 numa escala de zero ± 5, imperceptÍvel decifrar qual m'sica ou locuÁ,,o (Edison Bocorny Jr., Novo Hamburgo RS, Receptor Degen DE 1103 com antena RGP 34, Oct 24, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 9665.03, UnID station but strongly suspect Radio Voz Mission·ria, FlorianÓpolis, noted 10/19 with fair signal, fading in and out and peaking by 0935; best signal of the thin lot on 31 meters at this time. 0923-1000+, with program of seguEd mellow vocals in Portuguese with various different backgrounds, such as with xylo/accordion; orchestral backing; guitar combo; other. Fading by 0950 and very weak almost gone by 1000, when lady announcer finally heard very low level, followed by OM. RVM has been reported here in

the past and is the most likely Brazilian candidate (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100 Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 + Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands), 355-foot bidirectional BOG positioned 150 deg / 330 deg for LA / SE Asia, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4885, R·dio Clube do Par·, BelÈm, 2040-2105, 20-10, male, Portuguese, soccer. 24322. (MÈndez)

4935, R·dio Capixaba, VitÙria (presumed), 0538-0545, male, presumed Portuguese comments, very weak, barely audible. 14321. (MÈndez)

5035, R·dio Aparecida, Aparecida, 2314-2320, 20-10, Brazilian songs and religious comments. Parallel with 11855. 14321. (MÈndez)

5970, R·dio Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte, 2050-2110, 20-10, male, Portuguese, soccer. 22232. (MÈndez)

Also listened 0529-0650, 21-10, male, female, comments, Brazilian songs, identification: "3 horas e 38 minutos na Itatiaia", male, at 0630: "4 horas 31 minutos, Itatiaia", "Itatiaia". Advertisements. 24322. (MÈndez)

6010, R·dio InconfidÈncia, Belo Horizonte, 2106-2118, 20-10, male, Portuguese, comments: "Boa noite na R·dio InconfidÈncia", soccer comments about Palmeiras and Cruzeiro teams. Parallel with 15190. 14321. (MÈndez)

6060, Super R·dio Deus È Amor, Curitiba, 0704-0720, 21-10, religious songs, Portuguese, male, religious comments. Parallel with 11765. (MÈndez)

6070, R·dio Capital, Rio de Janeiro, 2110-2118, 20-10, male, Portuguese, religious comments. Relaying Super R·dio Deus È Amor program, parallel with 11765 but with a few seconds signal delay. 14321. (MÈndez)

6080, R·dio Marumby, Curitiba, 0657-0715, 21-10, male, female, Portuguese, religious comments, religious songs. At 0700: "5 horas, neste Domingo...". 13221. (MÈndez)

6120, Super Radio Deus È Amor, S·o Paulo, 0500-0529, 21-10, identification at 0502: "Super R·dio Deus È Amor, onda media, 1210 kHz, ondas curtas, 25 metros, 11765 kHz, 31 metros, 9565 kHz, 49 metros, 6060 kHz, en internet www.superradiodeuseamor.com.br", male, "3 y 3". Parallel with 11765 and 9565. 12321. (MÈndez)

6180, R·dio Nacional da AmazÙnia, BrasÍlia, 2028-2140, 20-10, male, soccer, "No paÍs da copa, a r·dio nacional, R·dio Nacional de BrasÍlia, estamos apresentando..., pela R·dio Nacional``, female. 34433. (MÈndez)

9645, R·dio Bandeirantes, S„o Paulo, 0508-0540, 21-10, Brazilian songs, male, Portuguese, comments. Parallel with 11925. 24322. (MÈndez)

9820, R·dio 9 de Julho, S„o Paulo, 0602-0623, 20-10, religious, comments, male, Portuguese, "Com a M„e Aparecida". 24322. Also listened 2033-2048, 20-10, female, comments, identification: "R·dio 9 de Julho". 33433. (MÈndez)

Also 0734-0810, 21-10, Brazilian songs, identification by male: "9 de Julho", romantic Latin American songs, "Radio 9 de Julho". 24322. (MÈndez)

11815, R·dio Brasil Central, Goi,nia, 2016-2050, 20-10, male, Portuguese, soccer, comments. 23322. (MÈndez)

11855, R·dio Aparecida, Aparecida, 2036-2050, 20-10, male, religious, comments: "A Nossa Senhora Aparecida", religious songs. Parallel with 9630 and 5035. 24322. (MÈndez)

15190, R·dio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte, 2043-2125, 20-10, male, Portuguese, Brazilian songs, at 2101 identification: "... Rede InconfidÍncia de R·dio, Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brasil, ... hoje ‡ noite comeÁa o hor·rio brasileiro de ver„o". 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 10 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15191.5 - ZYE622 R·dio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte; 2352 male announcer into what sounded like a promo for an upcoming futebol broadcast; iR·dio InconfidÍncia notÍciasÍ to 2359, then jingle and fill ID mentioning medium- and shortwave frequencies; carrier was on 15191.47 kHz; only fair but better than it has been most days lately, 10/15 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I believe we found that the callsign in WRTH 2011 and 2012 is a typo: really ZYE522 as in the WRTH 2010, accompanying their 6010 transmitter ZYE521. These errors would be more obvious if the Brazilians used callsigns with some possible significance like in the US, rather than sequential alphanumeric (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

BRASIL, Good reception in Sofia this morning Oct. 22 for R. InconfidÍncia: 0415-0525 on 15191.4 BEL 005 kW / 122 deg to Brasil in

Portuguese (34443) 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Oct 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No último sábado, dia 20/10, eu e o amigo Michel Viani de Osasco-SP, compartilhamos a informação que a Rádio Inconfidência de Belo Horizonte-MG está transmitindo fora de frequência na banda de 19 metros. A frequência correta de transmissão deveria ser a de 15190 kHz, mas constatamos que ela está transmitindo em exatos 15191.6. Já passei essa informação para a rádio através do "Fale Conosco" no site <http://www.inconfidencia.com.br>

Caso mais algum colega da lista tenha observado essa pequena variação, peço a gentileza de informar através da lista. 73!s (Paschoal Francisco Fideli, Aclimação - São Paulo - SP, Equipamento utilizado : Yaesu FRG-8800, Antena: Portable slinky shortwave antenna, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

It's been off frequency for many months, and I have reported it, but not bothered lately (gh, DXLD)

Paschoal, É vero, escuto correto em 15191.5 kHz. Abraço (Xico Luiz, ibid.)

Ol. Paschoal, Tenho notado que existe uma diferença entre a frequência divulgada e a real da Rádio Inconfidência. Já havia informado sobre isso aqui na lista e, atendendo ao seu pedido, repito agora.

Não sei precisar em quantos hertz, no entanto, usando um filtro de 2.8 kHz e sintonizando em 15190 kHz a transmissão torna-se ininteligível. Nesse instante fiz a seguinte experiência: Com o rádio em modo USB variei a frequência até ouvir a transmissão, sem o zumbido característico. Repetindo a operação em modo LSB, obtive sinal com clareza em 15191.450 kHz. Espero ter ajudado (Tota Garcia, João Pessoa PB HI22nv, IC R1500, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Amigos: No momento em que o Paschoal entrou em contato informando sobre a QRG da Inconfidência, estava para dar início às transmissões do jogo Palmeiras x Cruzeiro. Acompanhei a partida monitorando a frequência em 19 metros e durante todo o período em que monitorei a frequência se manteve fixa nos 15191.60 kHz.

Como não houve "drift", o que indicaria alguma falha de estabilidade do transmissor, provavelmente seja apenas questão de um pequeno reajuste na frequência de emissão. 73 e boas escutas! (Michel Viani - Osasco - SP, Hammarlund HQ-129X, Icom IC-R75, Antena long wire 10/12/14 metros, Enviado de meu telefone Nokia, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 11854.94, Rádio Aparecida. 2305-2325, Oct 23, Portuguese

talk. Inspirational Portuguese music. // 5035, 6135.13, 9629.94. All frequencies weak (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** BRAZIL. Recent Brasillian logs from various sources (Latest Log)
[Status notes] "Ck" means the station has been reported as // to the freqs listed. NOTE--Duplicate IDs may be due to list-logging.

p means presumed; t means tentative

2380v, ZYG852 R Educadora, Limeira SP (2/12t) Ck 3255
3325, R Mundial, Sao Paulo SP (7/11)
3355, R Educadora 6 de Agosto/Voz do Brasil, Xapuri AC (2/12) Ck 2380
[May relay 4885 Rdf Acreana at times]
3365, ZYG855 R Cultura, Araraquara SP (8/11)
3375v, ZYF276 R Municipal, Sao Gabriel da Cachoeira (8/12)
4755v, ZYF904 R Imaculada Conceicao, Campo Grande (10/12)
4765, R Rural, Santarem PA (7/12) [Returns to the air]
4775, ZYG207 R Congonhas, Congonhas MG (2/12)
4785v, R Caiari, Caiari/Porto Velho AM (10/12)
" R Brasil, Campinas [Obsolete?]
4805v, ZYF273 Rdf do Amazonas, Manaus AM (9/12)
4815, ZYG640 R Difusora, Londrina PR (4/12)
4825, ZYG868 R Cancao Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP (10/12) Ck 9675
4845v, ZYF278 R Cultura Ondas Tropicais, Manaus AM (10/12p)
4865, ZYF203 Radio Verdes Florestas, Cruziero do Sul (10/12)
" ZYG641 R Alvorada, Londrina PR (t) (11/11)
4880v, ZYG810 R Roraima, Boa Vista RR (10/12) [4877-78v lately, //4845 at times]
4885, ZYG362 R Clube do Para, Belem (10/12)
" ZYF692 R Maria, Brasilia, DF [Obsolete? Not in 2011 WRTH]
" ZYF201 Rdf Acreana, Rio Blanco/Branco (10/12)
4895, ZYE200 R Novo Tempo, Campo Grande PR (10/12)
" ZYF274 R Bare, Manaus-AM (Ex-Radio Globo) [2011 WRTH listed inactive]
4905, ZYF693 R Anhanguera, Araguaina TO (2/10) [In 2011 WRTH]
4915, ZYF691 R Daqui, Goiania GO (7/12), Ck 11830 [//6080 at times]
" ZYF360 Rdf Macapa, Macapa AC (9/12)
4925v, ZYF271 R Educacao Rural, Tefe AM (10/12) Ck 5035
4935v, ZYF641 R Capixaba, Victoia ES (10/12t)
4945, R Ondas Tropicais, Marituba (12/09) Ck 5045 [Not in 2011 WRTH]
4965, R Alvorada, Parintins AM (3/12) [Not in 2011 WRTH]
4975v, R A Nossa Voz, Osasco SP (2/12) [New entry!]
" ZYG865 R Iguatemi, SP (6/12) [2011 WRTH listed inactive; reactivated?]
4985, ZYF690 R Brasil Central, Goiania (10/12) Ck 11815
5035, ZYG853 R Aparecida, Aparecida OT (10/12) Ck 6135/9630/11855
" ZYF272 R Educacao Rural, Coari AM (2/12) Ck 4925 [2011 WRTVH listed as irregular]

5045, ZYG360 R Guaruja (2/12)/R Cultura do Para (3/12p), Belem PA
 5055, ZYF274 Radio Jornal a Critica FM, Manaus (2/11)
 " ZYF901 Radio Difusora, Caceres MT (3/11)
 5940v, R Voz Missionaria, Camboriu (10/12) Ck 9665/11750
 5045, R Cultura, Belem (3/12) [Renamed Guaruja Paulista?]
 " R Guaruja Paulista (3/12) [WRTVH listed as irregular]
 5955, R Gazeta, Sao Paulo SP (12/11) Ck 9685, 15325
 5965, R Trans-Mundial (6/12)
 5970, ZYE523 R Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte MG (10/12)
 5990, ZYE773 R Senado, Brasilia DF (2/12) [Off the air 2/7/12]
 5995, R Bandeirantes (spur) (6/10) Ck 6090, 9645, 11925
 6000, ZYE852 R Guaiba, Porto Alegre RS (10/12) [Last rptd 12/10]
 6010v, ZYE521 R Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte MG (10/12) Ck 15191.4
 6020, ZYE850 R Gaucha, Pto Alegre RS (9/11) Ck 11915
 6035, UNID (3/12) [New or freq change?]
 6060, ZYE726 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba PR (10/12) Ck
 6120/9565/9585/9595/11725/11765/11805/11965
 6070, Super Radio Deus e Amor (4/12) [New entry, R. Capital format
 change/relay?]
 " ZYE765 R Capital, Rio de Janeiro RJ (10/12); Ck 11765
 6080, ZYE726 R Marumby (7/12)/Novas de Paz (2/12)/R Daqui (8/11),
 Curitiba PR; Ck 4915/9665
 6090, ZYE956 R Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo SP (2/12t) Ck 9645v/11925
 6105, ZYE971 R Cancao Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP; Ck 4825/9675
 " R Filadelfia/Cultura Filadelfia, Iguazu PR (7/12) [Reactivation]
 6120, Super Radio Deus e Amor, Sao Paulo SP (10/12) Ck
 6060/9565/9585/9595/11725/11765/11805/11965 [Not in 2011 WRTH]
 " R Globo, Sao Paulo SP [Not in 2011 WRTH; 4/12 log--suspect list
 log.]
 6135, ZYE954 R Aparecida, Aparecida SP (10/12) Ck 5035/9630/11855
 6150, ZYE950 R Record, Sao Paulo SP (4/12)
 6160, ZYE245 R Rio Mar, Manaus AM (12/10p) [Obsolete? Rptd as a
 presumed 7/12]
 " ZYE854 R Boa Vontade, Pto Alegre RS; Ck 9550/11895 [Obsolete?]
 6180, R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia DF (10/12)
 6185, ZYE365 R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia DF (10/10) Ck 11780
 6195, R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia DF (7/10); Ck 11780 [Alt to
 6185]
 9505v, ZYE951 R Record, Sao Paulo SP (6/12)
 9515, ZYE726 R Marumby (9/11)/R Novas de Paz (12/10) Ck 11725 [2011
 WRTH Marumby]
 9530, ZYE858 R Transmundial, Santa Maria RS (11/10 [Reactivation]
 9550v, ZYE855 R Boa Vontade, Porto Alegre RS (3/12) Ck 6160/11895
 [inactive 3/12]
 9565v, ZYE727 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba PR (10/12) Ck
 6060/6120/9585/9595/11725/11765/11805/11965 [ex-R Tupi]
 9585v, ZYE969 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Sao Paulo SP (6/12) Ck
 6060/9565/11725/11765/11805, [ex-R Tupi] rptd as R Globo (12/10) Ck

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9595v, Super Radio Deus e Amor (3/12) Ck

6060/6120/9565/9585/11765/11965 [Not in 2011 WRTH]

" R Record, Sao Paulo [Not in 2011 WRTH]

9630v, ZYE954 R Aparecida, Aparecida SP (10/12) Ck 5035/6135/11855

9645v, ZYE957 R Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo SP (10/12t) Ck 6090/11925

[reactivation]

9665v, ZYE890 R Voz Missionaria (10/12)/Super Radio Deus e Amor (4/11)/ R Marumby (6/12), Florianopolis SC; Ck 5940/11750 [2011 WRTH as Missionaria]

9675, ZYE971 R Cancao Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP (9/12); Ck 4825

9685v, ZYE963 R Gazeta, Sao Paulo SP (12/11) Ck 5955, 15325

9695v, ZYE245 R Rio Mar, Manaus AM (10/12)

9820v, R Nove de Julho, Sao Paulo SP (9/12) [//Aparecida at times]

10000, PPE Observatorio Nacional, Rio de Janeiro (8/12)

11715 R Marumby, Curitiba (7/11) Ck 6080/9515 [Not in 2011 WRTH]

11725v, ZYE726 Super Radio Deus e Amor (2/12)/R Marumby (5/11), Curitiba PR; Ck 6060/6120/9565/9585/9525/11765/11965 [R Marumby listed in 2011 WRTH]

11735, ZYE858 R Transmundial, Santa Maria RS (10/12)

11750v, R Voz Missionaria, Florianopolis SC (11/11) Ck 5940/9665 [ex-R Marumby]

11765, ZYE726 Super Radio Deus e Amor (also R. Deus), Curitiba PR (10/12)

Ck 6060/9565/9585/9595/11805/11965 [ex-R Tupi]

11780, ZYE365 R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia (10/12) Ck 6185

11805, ZYE776 R Deus e Amor, Rio de Janeiro RJ (1/11) Ck

6060/6120/9565/9585/9595/11765/11965

11815, ZYE440 R Brasil Central, Goiania (10/12) Ck 4985

11830, ZYE441 R Daqui, Goiania (5/11) Ck 4915

11855, ZYE954 R Aparecida, Aparecida SP (10/12) Ck 5035/6135/9630

11895, ZYE856 R Boa Vontade, Pto Alegre RS (1/12) Ck 6160/9550/12035

11915, ZYE851 R Gaucha, Porto Alegre RS (6/12p) Ck 6020

11925v, ZYE958 R Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo SP (10/12t) Ck 6090/9645

11935, R Transmundial, Santa Maria (10/10) [Not in 2011 WRTH]

11965, R Super Deus e Amor (10/10) Ck

6060/6160/9565/9585/9595/11765/11805 [Not in 2011 WRTH]

15190v, ZYE522 R Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte (9/12) Ck 6010

12035, R Boa Vontade? [Not in 2011 WRTH]

12175v, R Deus e Amor (spur) (10/10) Ck

6060/9565/9585/11765/11805/11965

15190v, ZYE522 R Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte MG (10/12) Ck 6010 [15191.4 lately]

15325, R Gazeta, Sao Paulo SP (12/11) Ck 5955/9685

24054.8/U, Hora Santa Catolica (4/12) [Harmonic/spur/relay?]

27825, UNID Pirate (11/11)

29090, R Rio Mar, Manaus AM, FM (9/11) Ck 6160/9695 [Studio link]

(compiled by Harold Frodge, MI, Oct 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 28395-USB, Oct 21 at 1921, PY2DXA calling CQ and working an AA3, example of F2 LA DX MUF in big opening from S America, probably enhanced by contest activity. QRZ.com shows:

PY2DXA

Du Durval Cardozo

Rua Tenente Antônio João, 653

São Caetano do Sul, SP 09530460

Brazil

There is also someone signing only ``Durval`` on the radioescutas DX group, wonder if the same guy? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA [and non]. Transmissions of Kostinbrod & Bijeljina, brokered by SPL LTD [Spaceline, SPC the HFCC abbr.]:

Test transmissions:

1800-2000 5900 SOF 070 kW / 306 deg WeEu RTR-2 POWER STATION Sep.22

0000-0200 9400 SOF 070 kW / 306 deg NoAm Mighty KBC Radio Oct.07

0000-0200 9500 SOF 070 kW / 306 deg NoAm Mighty KBC Radio Oct.21

Currently summer A-12 schedule till Oct. 27:

0300-0600 11560 SOF 070 kW / 195 deg EaAf Radio Miraya English/Arabic

0300-1500 11510 BIJ 250 kW / 130 deg WeAs Denge Kurdistan in Kurdish

1500-1900 11510 SOF 070 kW / 126 deg WeAs Denge Kurdistan in Kurdish

1600-1630 17870 SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Mon/Fri Radio Xoriyo Somali

1700-1800 15245 SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Mo/We/Fr VoAssenna Tigrinya

1700-1800 15355#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Mon E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15360#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Tue E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15365#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Wed E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15360#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Thu E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15380#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Fri E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15375#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sat E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15370#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sun E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15385*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Mon E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15365*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Tue E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15395*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Wed E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15390*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Thu E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15380*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Fri E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15375*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sat E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15370*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sun E-SAT Radio in Amharic

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1700-1800 15380#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Fri E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15375#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sat E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15370#SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sun E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15385*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Mon E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15365*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Tue E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15395*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Wed E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15390*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Thu E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15380*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Fri E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15375*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sat E-SAT Radio in Amharic

1700-1800 15370*SOF 050 kW / 195 deg EaAf Sun E-SAT Radio in Amharic

first and third week of the month; * second and fourth week of the month --- Transmissions of Radio Xoriyo & E-SAT Radio are jammed by strong DRM noise (DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 21 Oct via DXLD)

** CANADA. [Re 12-42:] It seems like CKGM-990 Montreal was only off the air temporarily. It is back on today, still simulcasting 690 kHz. (Sheldon Harvey, Oct 17, NRC-AM via DXLD)

CRTC DENIES BCE's BID TO ACQUIRE ASTRAL

<http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2012/2012-574.htm>

I think what this will mean for our group [other than a number of radio station ownership changes will not happen] is that there will probably be no change now to 690 Montreal. It will stay in English as TSN Radio (Andy Reid, Ont., Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BCE = not as in Luxembourg (gh, DXLD)

** CANADA. CJBK QSL announcement --- In cooperation with Mr. Tom Cooke, Vice President - General Manager Astral Radio, I'm happy to announce that I've created an eQSL for CJBK, London, Ontario. See CJBK QSL.jpg in the Files of the DXLD Yahoo group.

If one hears CJBK AM 1290, please send a reception report to Mr. Cooke

and nicely ask for an eQSL. The CJBK website is <http://www.cjbk.com>
I thank Mr. Cooke for his cooperation benefiting radio hobbyists.
73, (Kraig Krist, KG4LAC, Manassas, VA USA <http://www.kg4lac.com> Oct
22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non] I thought I would mention something that some of you might find interesting; but then again, maybe you won't. In an odd coincidence, Dayton (OH) and London (ON) have their three major stations on the same three frequencies, 980, 1290, and 1410. WONE and CFPL are on 980, WHIO and CJBK are on 1290, and WING and CKSL are on 1410.

When I lived just outside Mootown (a.k.a. Cow-lumbus) it was easy to hear the three Dayton signals during the day. However, when all three went directional at night to the NNW, the London stations, particularly CJBK, were an easy catch. Even though Dayton was only about 60 miles to the west, their night signals were weak to non-existent in the Columbus area. CFPL was the harder of the three most nights, but CJBK and CKSL, both of which were good Top 40 stations, were usually pretty easy to hear. All three of the London stations have a minor lobe to the SSE at night. 73 (Kit W5KAT, CO, ABDX via DXLD)

** CANADA. 1610, Oct 22 at 0547, Spanish ad in dÚlares, NE/SW, enough to compete with KATZ 1600 IBOC noise if sidetuned to 1608, so it's CHHA Toronto (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6030, Calgary - CFVP relaying CKMX (AM 1060) (presumed), 0327-0344, Oct 22 (Monday UT). C&W songs under strong Cuban jamming; could not dig out an ID; was expecting to hear their usual Classic Country Theater (cowboy radio drama with iThe Lone Rangerî and iGunsmokeî) on Mon. UT, but seems they no longer carry it (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [and non]. 9555, Oct 22 at 0521, VOV relay on correct frequency tonight, starting language lesson. It is of course a Vietnamese lesson, presented in English, not an 'English lesson' as I misspoke on WOR 1639. Less than a week to go before it's all over from Sackville.

6110, Oct 18 at *0501, as happens far too often, Sackville comes on a minute late with NHK English relay. Suspect it is the same transmitter as on 5960 in Japanese until 0500, but different antenna and azimuth; not enough time to reset between them.

9555, Oct 19 at 0457, VOV Vietnamese is on correct Sackville frequency tonight, only fair signal, instead of often 6175.

Then I monitor 6110 to hear what happen with the NHK English relay: 0500, 'Sakura' intro music, but very poor signal; *0500:37 cuts on much stronger signal. I think the first part must really have been just receiver overload from the simultaneous NHK Spanish relay via equally doomed Bonaire 6080, which started on time.

In B-12, the post-Sackville, post-Bonaire era, NHK Spanish at 0500 will be moving to 6195 via WHRI; English at 0500 moving to Guiana French on 11740; also to other worldparts via 9770 France, 17660 UAE.

6110, Oct 20 at 0526, NHK English via Sackville is on and modulating; 9555, Oct 19 at 0526, VOV Vietnamese via Sackville is on correct frequency; just before both sign off.

9555, Oct 21 at 0442 check, fair signal in Vietnamese, as VOV relay is on correct frequency tonight, no 6175.

9555, Oct 23 at 0516, VOV relay in Vietnamese is on correct frequency instead of 6175; no longer a solid signal in the nightmiddle; only a few more days before this is all over. I made a point of listening to the BaBcoCk music loop at 0527.6-0529, followed by the Radio Canada Internationale IDs in French and English, and the first two notes of ``O Canada`` IS, before cut off the air (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also VATICAN; JAPAN [non]; KOREA SOUTH [non]

9555, Oct 24 at 0520, VOV relay with music attains VG signal a few nights before oblivion. CBC are already dismantling transmission lines; read the latest updates and comments at <http://rciaction.org/blog/2012/10/16/stop-cbc-from-dismantling-our-transmitters-to-the-world> but disregard the remark by #17 about Australia being relayed by Sackville (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 9625, Oct 18 at 1316, CBCNq is better than usual, which is nice since this is doomed to oblivion in about 10 days. Discussion about suicide, in English but with Inuit(?) accent, call-in number 888-896-3135; 1318 on to interview about NHL. It was also better than usual before 0500, holding its own against REE/CR 9630 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [non]. CBC on 11905! See VATICAN

** CANADA. Re 12-42: "Stop CBC from dismantling our transmitters to the world." Just to let everyone know, I emailed Mr. Moore, over a week ago, and have heard nothing in reply. Surprised? Hardly. This government is very steely in its agenda (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, Oct 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Updates and comments on the RCI Action blog:

UPDATE: October 23, 2012 ñ Five transmission lines have already been taken down! Two are in the process of being dismantled. By next week almost all of the 28 lines will be dismantled. Only two will remain temporarily for the Quebec Northern Service.

UPDATE: later on October 23, 2012 ñ U.S. listener Thomas Witherspoon has started a petition to stop the dismantling of Sackville. See the post on our website, the petition is here <http://tinyurl.com/sackvillepetition>

17 Comments

Daniel AJ Sokolov October 16, 2012 at 23:50

The capacity could be rented to foreign stations who understand the value.

Ken W. English October 17, 2012 at 11:26

What people don't realize is, a click of a mouse can kill the internet in a controlled-country. Radio transmissions can always get through, somehow.

Roger Tidy October 17, 2012 at 11:34

RCI, if they really believe they are reaching a vast audience on the internet, should tell us how many people are visiting their website.

Karl Zuk October 17, 2012 at 15:52

Unfortunately, the CBC is a business. They need to meet their budgets including the expenses required for maintenance and insurance. The sooner they clear off this property, the sooner they can sell it. The Harper government has [not?] been particularly supportive, either. I am very grateful so much Canadian material is available on-line and over Sirius Satellite Radio. For example, CTV now offers complete shows of their evening news and Canada AM. I listened to RCI from 1965 until its dying day. It was a wonderful ride. Ian McFarland lives! There are still two CBC R1 outlets on 6160 and CHNX on 6070 [sic!]. Enjoy them while you can. Sackville and CBA 1070 were great friends. I'll always remember them fondly.

Robert Jeans October 17, 2012 at 18:10

Canada has now joined Italy as the two G8 countries without a national broadcaster on shortwave. It's tougher to carry international influence when you have no voice. Some wonder why Canada gets passed over for international leadership roles such as the UN Security Council; it's this sort of withdrawal from the world community which reduces the influence of a nation. Sharing diplomatic consulates with

Britain would be another abdication of the responsibilities of leadership.

The CBC may not be concerned about international leadership, but you would think someone at Foreign Affairs would understand this. Tearing the antenna site down is incredibly short sighted.

Nora Hague VA2NH October 17, 2012 at 18:33

Many 3rd world countries and those under oppressive regimes have limited access to electricity, and a computer is out of the question. Many of these populations use a hand cranked shortwave radio to find out what's happening in the rest of the world. Shutting down RCI is assisting those regimes in keeping their populations ignorant and powerless.

Did you ever listen to Radio Canada International? ' VA3QV's Weblog
October 18, 2012 at 07:28

[...] <http://rciaction.org/blog/2012/10/16/stop-cbc-from-dismantling-our-transmitters-to-the-world/> [...]

Robert Merkley October 18, 2012 at 16:57

Ken English is 100% correct. The Ice Storm of 1998 proved it that cell phones and internet were useless. I know. I'm a retired broadcast engineer and ham radio operator who helped out.

Andi October 18, 2012 at 20:16

As Harper/CBC shutdown Canada's voice to the world, Harper announces continued support for TV5MONDE. Investing approx. \$70million into the channel since 2006.

<http://www.pm.gc.ca/eng/media.asp?category=1&pageId=26&id=5091>

It's a shame that some people don't understand the importance of such an excellent service. RCI, keep strong and don't give up!

Michael Payne October 19, 2012 at 00:18

I realize that there are budget issues, especially with the current world trends, but once these beautiful facilities are dismantled, no government, or private corporation can afford to build a new. It is impossible. Here in the U.S. the same mistakes have been made, and can never be reversed. How sad. I sincerely hope that some powerful voice can stem the tide in Canada before it's too late.

Andrés Herrera October 19, 2012 at 08:52

Es una pena que estas personas estén cegadas y no vean la gran cantidad de recursos y oportunidades que ofrece la onda corta. Se están auto borrando del mapa.

Ralph Cameron October 19, 2012 at 11:41

It's a shame the political pundits don't recognize a useful asset both

in educating people about Canada and her cultural distinctiveness as well as are generally well respected democratic processes. We're not perfect but far better than most of the world. I have listened to RCI from Portugal, Cuba, Turkey and Greece and to hear news from one's home country reassures me as to why I remain here.

For shame on dismantling these facilities. Why not broadcast in limited fashion in English and French rather than trying to cover umpteen other languages?

James F. Borek October 19, 2012 at 22:12

I recall senator Hugh Segal was to call CBC brass to explain their decision on cutting the RCI budget. I will send him an e-mail hoping he will follow through.

Dave - KCyBRO October 20, 2012 at 23:28

Shortwave broadcasting is one of the most effective ways to get your message to the world. It's very true the Internet does not reach a good share of the Third World countries and satellite is not an option. Shortwave may be considered old and outdated in this modern age but you see when countries like China disagree with your message they can switch the Internet off but they can not effectively jam shortwave radio signals and that's a fact. Of course international broadcasting does cost to maintain but probably no more than domestic medium wave or FM broadcast stations they are all expensive. I have worked in radio broadcasting so I understand the cost aspect but you can make small changes and still maintain a healthy service.

The Canadian broadcasting Corp. has called Radio Canada international its poor cousin and has never liked Radio Canada international. Removing the radio Canada international transmitting facilities will guarantee international broadcasting will never happen again in Canada. This is the ultimate goal of the Canadian broadcasting Corp. when they could just as well leave the broadcast facilities alone and make money off them by renting time to other foreign broadcasters of course it will cost to maintain but what doesn't. A serious mistake has been made by the Canadian broadcasting Corp. and it's time to let them know it's not right turning radio Canada international into a Web page insuring the voice of Canada will never be heard by the world.

I understand Canadian broadcasting Corp. has a business to run but on the other hand couldn't they have also sacrificed their budget somewhat instead of cutting 70 percent which was the entire Radio Canada International budget. One of the best relay sites in North America was the radio Canada international transmitting facility. Of course it must be removed and as soon as possible before anyone realizes it's gone and when it's gone it's gone for good only the memories remain.

PS: I have been a shortwave listener since the 1980s and have been listening to radio Canada for about 30 years it is not time to say goodbye yet

John Drake October 22, 2012 at 09:43

My friends, The old days of analog, free-thinking, free-access, broadcasts are over. So it is best to dismantle (and by any means available) these old fashioned ways of communication. Now it is all about the Apps and the Internet - two methods of outreach that suit the needs of this age - just right.

The 21st Century is all about the Money and the Megacorps. This need to reach out and communicate by free means is strictly old fashion 20th Century thinking.

So get with the times and accept the new pay-as-you-go, digital access, internet/satellite only, access. It is made by the elites, for the elites, and just right for the plebs. Because now it is all clear channel and the only static you can hear (or see) is the drone of the masses arguing amongst themselves. Those in the know, and in control, can hear you now. Be seeing you. No. 6.

Ken W. English October 23, 2012 at 10:42

When you say iTransmission Lines, what are you talking about? Do you mean the Antennas (with their supporting towers and the wire antenna arrays on them), or do you mean the lines that connect the transmitters to the antennas?

Richard Clifford October 23, 2012 at 13:45

This is stupid! What is going to happen to international broadcasters who want to reach North America, especially Radio Japan and Radio Australia? I want this action stopped! (via DXLD)

<http://rciaction.org/blog/2012/10/16/stop-cbc-from-dismantling-our-transmitters-to-the-world/comment-page-1/#comment-23322>

Thomas writes:

Without RCI Sackville, there will be:

1) No reliable CBC programming in English, French, or First Nation languages to the far northern reaches of Quebec and Canada. Shutting down the North Quebec Service on shortwave will permanently sever multilingual, news, weather and other important information and announcements to many Canadian citizens--many of First Nations--living or traveling in the north. Other transmission methods just will not have the same reach: a handful of FM relay stations, which are the

replacement method being implemented, only cover a footprint approximately the size of a small city, and leave those living or traveling outside this area in the informational dark.

2) Compromise to Canada's domestic security. The RCI Sackville site is the only transmission site in Canada that can single-handedly broadcast to your entire country, should other communications systems--such as internet/satellite--fail. Unquestionably, this is the only facility in Canada that can do this.

3) No international voice. This is the only broadcasting site that sits firmly on Canadian soil, and that can be used to send Canada's message across the globe as well as within the country and to overseas territories--without the restrictions and firewalls to which the internet is regularly subjected by authoritarian regimes. Moreover, in areas such as rural Africa where there is no electric mains power, radio is the only source of vital information.

4) Once it's gone, it's gone. Technicians working at the site says it takes just one hour to take down one of their 28 antennas, but fully two months to put one of them back up. Clearly, all the king's horses and all the king's men will never be able to put this infrastructure back together again...without a lot of time, expertise, and undue expense.

But realistically, can RCI Sackville be saved? Is there a way to retain this critical Canadian resource despite a weak economy?

The answer is, of course: Simply scale down the number of transmitters on the air, the number of crew manning the facility. If necessary, do as many other transmitter facilities are currently doing: sell air time to private broadcasters, a potential profit-making venture (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Why the hurry? It might be the considerable scrap value of the copper in those transmission lines. They could be a target for theft when the Sackville site is unattended.

My hope for the Sackville site was that the University of New Brunswick would take it over as a multi-use facility, one of which would be experimentation with shortwave transmissions as a means to provide a substitute means of information and communication when the usual internet circuits are down due to dictators or disasters. This capability will be required in the future but, alas, it seems that Sackville will not be part of the solution (Kim Andrew Elliott, kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

> By next week almost all of the 28 lines will be dismantled.

> Only two will remain temporarily for the Quebec Northern Service.

I.e. 9625 will stay on air for the time being, at least beyond October? If so it appears to be rather crazy what CBC Transmission is doing here, also in light of the circumstance that, I fear, "sell air time to private broadcasters, a potential profit-making venture" no longer applies to the western hemisphere (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I think CBCNQ may stay only until Oct 31, end of calendar-month rather than A-12 season dates (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

But that's already next Wednesday. So they could still destroy anything next week, having no need to further keep anything temporarily. Something just does not fit here (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

I agree. The speed -- correction: make that "haste" -- with which this dismantling is being pursued leaves me with the feeling that there is a hidden agenda to all this that will eventually come out. Apparently, someone doesn't want it to until Sackville's existence is wiped from the face of the earth, preferably sooner than later. Anyhow, there would seem to be higher priorities (John Figliozi, NY, ibid.)

And, the minister conveniently ignores emails (Walt Salmaniw, ibid.)

PLEASE HELP AND SHARE: PETITION TO SAVE RCI SACKVILLE FROM BEING DISMANTLED

Dear DXers, Interested in a good cause? We're working hard to stop the RCI Sackville, NB, Canada transmission site from being completely dismantled.

I've been communicating with the Canadian press and the Departments of Heritage and Public Safety. It's difficult -- if not impossible -- to stop a political process that has already been initiated, but some of us are making an attempt nonetheless because this transmission site is so vital.

So I started a petition -- it's only been two days, but we have already received over 200 signatures from around the globe. Clearly, we're not the only ones who believe that sacking Sackville is a foolhardy plan, and want Canadian powers-that-be to reconsider.

Here is the petition--take a look at the comments for yourself:
<http://chn.ge/TRgSCX>

Could please take a few moments out of your day to sign this petition and have your say? It takes less than a minute. This will

automatically email the appropriate Canadian politicians who could, at the very least, put a halt to the destruction of the RCI Sackville site. Also, please consider sharing this with your radio enthusiast networks, clubs, and email groups. The more voices, the better!

Of course, you don't have to be Canadian to sign (after all, I'm not), just someone who cares about radio and believes in its role in domestic security and international relations. If you are Canadian, I would also encourage you to use the sample letter to mail a signed copy to the Ministers of Heritage and Public Safety.

Feeling like Don Quixote today? Join me. Towers up, windmills down!

Sincerely, (Thomas Witherspoon, Oct 25,
<http://swling.com/blog>
Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** CANADA. CRTC deletes another one --- Those of you who DX AM may be aware the CRTC has "un-renewed" CJRN-710 Niagara Falls, Ontario. The station was licenced as a tourist-information operation but was broadcasting regular and ethnic programs.

Another Canadian station and its ten translators are losing their licenses, also for non-technical reasons. CHIM-FM Timmins is a low-powered commercial religious station. Their licence renewal application was due no later than January 25th of this year -- the station had been on a short-term licence after serious questions had been raised about the operation in the previous renewal.

- The renewal application was filed a month late & was incomplete. The station insisted the application was unnecessary as the licence was not due to expire -- they rejected the premise that the previous renewal had been for a short term.

- Canadian stations are required to file annual financial statements. CHIM's were filed VERY late.

- Stations are also required to record their entire program day (this is common in many countries -- although contrary to common belief, it is NOT required in the U.S.). The CRTC will ask to hear a week's worth of programming at renewal time. CHIM did submit the recording, but more than a week late, and only after failing to notify the CRTC of the delay until after the deadline had passed.

- Canadian commercial stations are required to make contributions towards the development of new Canadian musical talent. CHIM failed to submit repeatedly requested proof of compliance.

The CRTC is showing no confidence that any sanction short of un-renewal will bring CHIM into compliance. The station is required to leave the air no later than November 30th.

CHIM-FM is an 84-watt station on 102.3 in Timmins, Ontario. Their transmitters ("translators", in US-ese) are:

CHIM-FM-1 92.5 North Bay, 50w
CHIM-FM-2 102.7 Iroquois Falls, 2w
CHIM-FM-3 99.1 Kirkland Lake, 2w
CHIM-FM-4 103.5 New Liskeard, 1w
CHIM-FM-5 93.1 Red Deer, Alberta, 50w
CHIM-FM-6 97.3 Sault Ste. Marie, 50w
CHIM-FM-7 92.5 Elliot Lake, 1w
CHIM-FM-8 92.7 Chapleau, 1w
CHIM-FM-9 92.5 Wawa, 1w
CHIM-FM-10 92.3 Kapuskasing, 2w

All are in Ontario except CHIM-FM-5.

(Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, Oct 24, WTFDA via DXLD)

** CANARY ISLANDS. 10 meters has been wide open lately, especially between Europe and North America, with huge swaths of blue lines on the map, still Oct 22 at 1615 check:

<http://www.dxmaps.com/spots/map.php?Lan=E&Frec=28&ML=M&Map=NA&DXC=N&HF=N&GL=N>

28450-USB, Oct 21 at 1924, EC8CQ is trying to work thru a pileup:

EC8CQ

Pedro (Peter) L pez Santana

P. O. Box : 57

Santa Br gida, Las Palmas 35300

Canary Islands

Says QRZ.com. 11m freeband, 12, 15 and 17 m hambands were also very active, but I just made four representative 10m logs from Alaska to Venezuela to Brazil to Canary Islands, qq.vv. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHAD. 6164.962, Bad propagation path condition from Chad this morning, only string visible on browser (Wolfgang B schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6164.96, RNT, 2020-2138*, Oct 23, French talk. Wide variety of Afro-pop, Euro-pop and local tribal music. Abrupt sign off mid-song. Weak but readable.

6164.96, RNT, *0506-0555, Oct 23, abrupt sign on with Afro-pop music. French talk. African hi-life music. Fair. Is this a new sign on time?

Now heard signing on at 0505-0506 several times this past week (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** CHINA. Firedrake October 18, before 1300, all with flutter:

14700, very good at 1253; none in the 12s, 13s

15550, good at 1255

15735, very good at 1253

15900, very poor at 1253

16100, very poor at 1256

16920, poor at 1256

16980, very good at 1256

17250, very good at 1258; none in the 18s

After 1300:

7445, fair at 1314, in mix with CNR1 jamming, RTI Chinese

15635, very poor at 1310, with noise and het on hi side 15637

15565, very poor at 1310, with noise and same het on lo side 15563

Before 1400:

15500, poor at 1357, het on hi side 15502 from V. of Tibet, and badly squeezing Bangladesh 15505, q.v.

Firedrake October 19, after 1300:

12980, fair at 1315; none in the 13s, 14s

15900, open carrier with flutter at 1316, FD starts at 1317

16100, poor at 1319

16920, poor at 1319

16980, JBA at 1319; none in the 17s

Firedrake Oct 20, after 1400, not a full search:

15500, stays on, fair past 1400

15560, fair at 1422, het from 15563, presumed V. of Tibet

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake observations at 0737-0750 UTC on 21 Oct 2012:

12230 25322

12320 35333

14800 35333

14980 35433

15870 25222

15970 45433

16100 25322

16600 35433

16920 15311

16980 25322

17170 25322

17250 25332

17370 15321

All found off the air during re-check at 0811. Waited on 15970:
Carrier on for 20 seconds at 0819, off again. Carrier on again at
08:21:00, tuning sounds for 1-2 seconds, into Firedrake music after 20
seconds.

At 0827-0850, first SINPO in Leipzig, second on remote Perseus unit in
Nara/Japan: [14 at once! -- gh]

11970 00000 55433
12320 15311 55444
12980 25322 45333
14800 35433 55555
15800 25232 55433
15900 15221 45433
15970 45433 55444
16100 25222 55444
16250 25322 45343
16600 25322 35343
16920 15311 55444
17250 25322 55444
17370 25322 55444
18200 25322 55444

73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig / Germany, Perseus SDR + DX10-pro active
antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

14495, 21/10 1011, CHINA FIREDRAKE, 45444 (IVANILDO GONÇALVES DANTAS,
MOTORADIO PF 76AC, ANTENA LW 25M, NAVEGANTES SC, radioescutas yg via
DXLD)

Quite unusual for any of the W00B (way out of band) FD frequencies to
end in -5 (gh, DXLD)

6085, Firedrake musical jammer 1229 until 1230 sign off with Good
signal. 10-21-12

12800, Firedrake musical jammer 1242 excellent signal. 10/21/12

13530, Firedrake musical jammer 1244 Fair signal 10/21/12

15550, Firedrake musical jammer 1246 Good signal with het. Presumed
target is the Voice of Tibet's Tibetan language broadcast (not heard)
which uses a few higher kHz frequency. 10/21/12

15625, Firedrake musical jammer 1318 Fair signal. 10/21/12

15795, CHINA/INDIA, CNR-1 on top and AIR underneath 1256-1300 both in
Mandarin and Firedrake musical jammer very weak under CNR-1 and AIR.
Assume China is attempting to jam the Mandarin language broadcast of
AIR which is registered for this frequency from 1130-1315.

15900, Firedrake musical jammer 1248 Fair signal. Presumed target is
the Sound of Hopes Mandarin language broadcast (not heard) 10/21/12

16600, Firedrake musical jammer 1249 Good signal. Presumed target is

the Sound of Hopes Mandarin language broadcast (not heard) 10/21/12
16920, Firedrake musical jammer 1249 Fair signal. Presumed target is
the Sound of Hopes Mandarin language broadcast (not heard) 10/21/12
16980, Firedrake musical jammer 1250 Fair signal. Presumed target is
the Sound of Hopes Mandarin language broadcast (not heard). 10/21/12
16920, Firedrake musical jammer 1249 Fair signal. Presumed target is
the Sound of Hopes Mandarin language broadcast (not heard) 10/21/12
17170, Firedrake musical jammer 1251 Fair signal. Presumed target is
the Sound of Hopes Mandarin language broadcast (not heard) 10/21/12
(Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake, Oct 21 after 1300:

15550, fair at 1301

9780, fair with flutter at 1311, and not much else audible. Unusual
here, but must be jamming applied to RTI as in Aoki. Deewa Radio from
Thailand to Afghanistan is also scheduled

Circa 1330:

13920, fair with noise at 1329, utility QRM; none in the 12s

14800, good at 1331

15490, poor at 1332, with noise jamming too, het on hi side

15625, poor at 1334, het on 15627

15970, fair-good at 1335

16100, poor at 1335

16980, good at 1335 with flutter; none in the 17s

Before 1400:

15500, fair at 1359, het on hi side

[and non]. Firedrake October 22, after 1300:

15555, good at 1306

9780, fair at 1325 atop something, no doubt another RTI Chinese

9680, fair at 1322, vs. one other station in Chinese, presumably RTI;
lacking RRIndonesia, and no CNR1 jamming either which would have
matched 9845 and countless other frequencies

After 1330:

None in the 11s, 12s, 13s, 14s

15570, good at 1331 with flutter, het on lo side

15525, poor at 1331 with noise, het on lo side;

none in the 16s, 17s, 18s

15523, at 1333, some modulation making it against FD and noise on the
hi side: presumably V. of Tibet, via Tajikistan, unseems Chinese but
it could be either language. Aoki has it on lots of split frequencies
in this area, but not 15523

After 1400:

17560, fair at 1405 with flutter, SAH from V. of Tibet, Madagascar

Firedrake Oct 23, before 1400, all with flutter:

12980, good at 1342

13920, very good at 1342

13970, very good at 1342; none in the 14s

15515, fair at 1349, het on hi side

15560, fair at 1349, plus noise jamming, het on lo side

16250, very good at 1351

16980, very good at 1351

17250, very good at 1352; none in the 18s

Firedrake, Oct 24 circa 1330:

9680, fair at 1324, and on top presumably vs Taiwan and no RRI

9780, good at 1324, mixing with Chinese, CNR1 and/or Taiwan target

12230, very poor at 1328

12320, JBA at 1328

14700, very poor at 1332 with flutter

15525, very poor at 1334, het on lo side

16100, poor at 1335; none in the 17s

After 1400:

17570, fair at 1407 mixing with V. of Tibet via MADAGASCAR; these two at 1400-1430 could be on any of: 17560, 17565, and/or 17570, usually at same time (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CRASH & BANG CHINESE OPERA MUSIC JAMMER,

a.k.a. Firedrake, a.k.a. Chinese Opera Music Jammer

From 2012 posted logs (various sources); during the UTC hours noted. All broadcasts originate from East Jammerstan.

Transmissions will typically change frequency and time often, as the jammer's target moves.

* Not reported on this frequency during 2011.

5895* 17

6150* 10, 13

7365* 13

7390* 07

7435* 19

7445 13, 14

7525* 15

7595* 13

7605* 15

7610 15

7970 10, 16

9200 02, 09, 12, 13
9315 14
9355 17, 19
9450 14
9460* 10
9455 17, 19
9525* 20
9680* 12, 13, 14
9725 16
9905 16, 17, 19, 20
9930* 14
9935* 14
9970* 10, 11, 12
9980* 14
10725* 11
10960* 11
11500 00, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 22, 23
11545 12
11760* 14
11790 18
11870 15
11945 18, 19
11970* 08, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 22
11980 11, 14
11990 14
12005* 15
12130* 14
12230 00, 02, 03, 07, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23
12300 00, 02, 10, 12, 13, 14
12320* 08, 11, 12, 13, 14
12370* 11
12500 11, 12, 13, 14
12600 00, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
12650* 12
12670 07, 08, 09, 11, 12, 13, 14
12800* 12, 14
12870* 12
12970* 12
12980 00, 09, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23
13100 12
13130 02, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
13155* 10
13430* 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
13530* 12
13665* 08
13670* 12, 18
13675* 15
13680 12, 13, 14, 23

13780* 17
13795 12, 13
13830 12, 13
13850 00, 02, 05, 08, 09, 12, 13, 14, 23
13880* 08, 13
13920 00, 02, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 22, 23
13935* 12
13960 13
13970 02, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 22
13980 12
14003* 10
14400 00, 02, 03, 04, 08, 12, 22, 23
14495* 09
14600* 00, 10, 11, 12, 13
14700 00, 03, 08, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 22, 23
14800 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23
14870* 11, 12, 13, 14
14950 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 23
14960* 12, 13
14970 00, 12, 13, 14, 23
14980* 12
15070 09
15265 03, 13
15290* 13
15295* 13
15375* 13
15390* 13
15395* 13
15425* 13
15435 12
15440 12
15445 12, 13, 14
15450* 12, 13
15455 13
15485* 12, 13
15490* 13
15495 13, 14
15500* 12, 13
15505* 13
15520 12
15525 12
15535 13
15540 12, 13
15545 12, 13
15550 12, 13
15555 12, 13
15560 12, 13
15565 13

15570 12, 13
15590* 13
15595* 13
15600* 13, 14
15605* 13, 14
15610* 12, 13, 14
15615* 13, 14
15620* 13
15670 13
15710* 13
15735* 12
15750 13
15755* 13
15760 12, 13
15765* 12
15775 13
15780 12
15785 13
15795 12, 13
15800 00, 09, 11, 14, 23
15870* 01, 11, 12, 13, 14
15900 00, 02, 04, 05, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 23
15940* 00, 03, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
15970 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
15980* 03, 04, 12, 13
16100 00, 03, 04, 05, 10, 11, 12, 13, 22, 23
16120 02
16200* 12
16250* 12
16600* 12
16700 00, 02, 05, 11, 12, 13
16920* 00, 07, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23
16980 00, 02, 03, 04, 11, 12, 13, 23
17100 05, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23
17170 04, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23
17250* 03, 04, 11, 12, 13, 14
17370* 12, 14
17450 04, 05, 06, 11, 12, 13, 14
17560 14
17570* 14
17565* 14
17570 14
17705 12, 13
17730 02
18200 12, 13
21460* 14
21845* 14

--Updated 24-October-12
(Harold Frodge, MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 11736, 11744, 11752, 11768, 11776, 11784, 11792, Oct 18 at 1322, the 8-kHz- multiple spurs from CNR1 jammer on unheard 11760 under Cuba, are barely detectable today, most obviously as hets against 11750, 11775 and 11785 stations (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Who's the unid on 15422, with easy listening vocal. Sounds Chinese to me, or oriental, at least. 15420 sounds probably like Bible Voice, in listed Farsi. So who is 15422? (Walt Salmaniw, BC, 1607 UT Oct 21, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

We discussed this odd frequency 'fence' in mid August already

> this is a malfunction of the Chinese jamming station 15430 kHz
> against RFA Mandarin ? 73 wolfy ibid.

At multiples of 8 kHz either side with CNR1 audio for jamming like centered on 11760, 11710 at earlier hours (gh, DXLD)

The spurious of CNR-1 jamming of the 8 kHz space is as follows.

0300-0400 13785 (RFA)
0400-0700 13760 (RFA)
0900-1100 13610 (VOA)
1100-1300 11710 (RTI)
1300-1500 11760 (SOH)
1500-1700 15430 (RFA)
1600-1800 5895 (RFA)
2200-2300 11885 (RTI)
2300-2400 7540 (RFA)
de Hiroshi (S. Hasegawa, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 4940, "Voice of Taiwan Strait News Radio", 1500-1530, Oct 20. Saturday only iFocus on China program in English; iShanghai New York University, the first institution of higher education jointly established by China and the United States, was officially founded on Monday. i; ends with mailing address in Fuzhou, Fujian with zip code is 350001 i; again with the ID iThis is the Voice of Taiwan Strait News Radio i.

<https://www.box.com/s/a4a3hoqqsvcr1vgz7x7k>
contains edited MP3 recording (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 6090, CNR2, 1528-1538, Oct 24. Assume this is still iChina Business Radio; has been a long time since I last heard a iChina Business Radio ID which years ago were frequently given in English. Chinese songs; in Chinese; BoH time pips; // 6065, 6155, 7245, 7265, 7315, 7335 and 7425; all fair to good (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9730, 9760, 9765 are all poor signals from CRI English, Oct 22 at 1325, report about a concert in Uzbekistan. Per Aoki the sites are Beijing, Kunming, Xian, respectively, overkill (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

22/10, 23750, CRI in Russian, 2 x 11875, 1700 (Tim Bucknall, England, harmonics yg via DXLD)

** CHINA [and non]. B12 CHINA RADIO INTERNATIONAL October 28, 2012

0000-0057

Cambodian 11990nnn, 9765nnn, 684dof-hai

Cantonese 17495bei, 11820xia

Chinese 13655xia, 13580bei, 11975kun, 11900bei, 11845xia, 11780jin, 9435kun

English 11790xia, 9425bei, 7425kas, 7350kas, 6180kas, 6005kas

Hakka 9860jin, 9610kun, 9550kun, 9460kun

Mongolian 11875bei, 9470xia

Portuguese 9435kas, 6100bei

Russian 7405huh, 5990huh, 1521htb-xin

Spanish 15120hab, 5990hab

Vietnamese 13680xia, 11770bei, 603dof-hai

0000-0157

English 11885xia, 11650bei, 9570cer, 6020cer

0100-0157

Amoy 17495bei, 15425xia, 11980kun, 11945kun, 9860bei, 9610kun, 9550kun, 9460kun

Chinese 15160jin, 13655xia, 13580bei, 11770nnn, 11640xia, 9600nnn, 7300kas, 7250uru

English 9580hab, 9420kas, 9410kas, 7350kas, 6175kas, 6075kas

Russian 13600xia, 5905kas, 1521htb-xin

Spanish 9710kas, 9590kas

Urdu 7360kas, 6020kas

0130-0227

Nepalese 13780kun, 11860kun

0200-0227

Pashto 15435xia, 7350kas, 6065kas

0200-0257

Amoy 17495bei, 15425xia

Bengali 11640xia, 9655kun

Chinese 15160jin, 15140bei, 13655xia, 9825kas, 9690nob-E, 9580hab,
9570cer, 7330kas, 6020cer

English 13640kas, 11785kas

Russian 17640xia, 5915kas

Spanish 9710kas, 9590kas

Tamil 13715kas, 11870kas

Urdu 7290kas, 6020kas

0230-0327

Nepalese 13780kun, 11730kun

0300-0357

Chinese 17540bei, 15160jin, 15130bei, 13655xia, 9570cer, 9450kas,
6020cer

English 15120bei, 15110kas, 13620xia, 11785kas, 9790hab, 9690nob-E,
9460bei, 738msk

Hindi 15350kas, 15210kas, 13720kas, 11640kas

Russian 17710jin, 15435xia, 11710uru, 5915kas, 963por-fin

Tamil 13735kas, 13600kun

0400-0457

Cantonese 15160jin, 13655xia, 9790hab

Chinese 15170kas, 15130bei, 13640kas

English 17855bei, 17725xia, 15120bei, 13620xia, 9460bei

Hakka 17710bei, 17540kas, 17505xia, 15350kas

Russian 17640xia, 15665kas, 15445kas, 963por-fin

Vietnamese 17740xia, 11650kun, 684dof-hai, 603dof-hai

0500-0557

Cantonese 15170jin, 13655xia

Chinese 15140kas, 15130bei, 15120bei, 13620xia

English 17855bei, 17725xia, 17540kas, 17505kas, 15465kas, 15350kas,
11880kas, 7220cer

Lithuanian 963por-fin

Russian 15665kas, 15445kas

Vietnamese 17740xia, 11640kun, 684dof-hai, 603dof-hai

0500-0657

Arabic 17485uru, 9590cer, 7210cer, 5985cer

0600-0657

Chinese 17740xia, 17650kas, 15170jin, 15120bei, 13750kun, 13655xia,
13620xia, 9655nnn

English 17710bei, 17540kas, 15465kas, 15350kas, 15145kas, 13645xia,
11880kas, 11770kas
English-AF 17505kas, 11750cer
Italian 15620kas

0600-0757

French 15220uru
German 17720kas, 15245uru
Spanish 15135kas

0700-0757

Cantonese 13610xia, 11640jin
Chaozhou 15145xia, 17750xia
Chinese 17830kas, 17740xia, 17650kas, 13750kun, 11875nnn, 9655nnn
English 17710bei, 17540kas, 17490kas, 15465kas, 15350kas, 15125kas,
13645xia, 11880kas, 11785cer

0700-0857

Chinese 11855cer
Serbian 1215fla-alb

0800-0857

Chinese 17830kas, 17650kas, 17560xia, 15565xia, 13610xia, 11640jin,
9880bei
English 17540kas, 17490kas, 15625kas, 15465kas, 15350kas, 11880kas,
11785cer, 9415xia
Hausa 7295bko
Russian 15665kas, 15335kas

0830-0927

Indonesian 17735kun, 15135kun

0900-0957

Chinese 17670kun, 17560xia, 15565xia, 15440kun, 11750nnn, 9440xia,
7430jin, 5965bei
English 17750kas, 17690jin, 17650kas, 17570uru, 17490kas, 15350kas,
15270kas, 15210kun, 9415xia
Romanian 9460cer, 7285cer
Russian 15665kas, 15335kas

0900-1057

Chinese 17500kas, 15525uru, 15340xia, 15250kun, 13850bei, 11980kun,
9460nnn,

0930-1027

Malay 17680kun, 15135kun

1000-1057

Cantonese 17670kun, 15440kun
Chinese 17650kas, 9880bei, 7255xia, 5965bei
English 17690jin, 17490kas, 15350kas, 15210kun, 15190uru, 13720xia,
13590bei, 11640bei, 7215xia, 5955xia
Hungarian 17570kas, 15220kas
Japanese 9440xia, 7325jin
Russian 7400huh, 7290szg, 5915huh, 1323htb-xin, 1116har-hei, 963hua-
jil

1030-1127

Cambodian 17680kun, 15160nnn, 684dof-hai
Indonesian 15135kun, 11700kun

1100-1157

Bulgarian 7220cer
Burmese 9880kun
Cantonese 13580kun, 9645bei, 9590kun, 9540bei, 603dof-hai
Chaozhou 11875kun, 9440kun
Chinese 17650kas, 15440kun, 11980kas, 11620bei, 9515kas, 7435bei
Czech 17570kas, 15225kas
English 17490kas, 13720xia, 13665cer, 13645kas, 13590bei, 11795kas,
11650uru, 9570kas, 5955bei, 1269xua-yun
Esperanto 7210uru, 6100uru, 1017cah-jil
Japanese 7325jin, 7260xia, 1044hnl-jia
Korean 5965xia, 1323hua-jil
Mongolian 9450xia, 7400huh
Russian 7290szg, 6080bei, 5915huh, 1521htb-xin, 1323htb-xin, 963hua-
jil
Vietnamese 11990xia, 11785bjj, 9550bei, 1296kun-yun

1130-1157

Filipino 12070xia, 11955kun, 7410jin, 6060bei, 1341hdu-gua

1130-1227

Thai 9785kun, 7360kun, 1080xua-yun

1200-1227

Filipino 11955kun, 9720xia

1200-1257

Cambodian 11680nnn, 9440kun
Cantonese 9570hab
Chinese 17650kas, 15110uru, 11640xia, 9655kas, 7395bei, 7205kas
English 17490kas, 13790uru, 13665cer, 12015kas, 11980kun, 11760kun,
11690xia, 11650uru, 9760kun, 9730kun,
9645bei, 9600kun, 9460kas, 7250kas, 5955bei, 1341hdu-gua, 1269xua-yun,
1188kun-yun, 684dof-hai
French 15205kas

Japanese 7325jin, 7260xia, 1044hnl-jia
Korean 5965xia, 1323hua-jil, 1017cah-jil
Mongolian 5990huh, 5915huh, 100.9ula, 103.7Darkhan
Russian 9685uru, 9590szg, 7410szg, 7215xia, 6100bei, 5905kas, 1521htb-xin, 963hua-jil
Serbian 7345cer
Vietnamese 11720bji, 9550bei, 1296kun-yun

1200-1400

Chinese 13810kas, 11790kas - News Radio
Chinese 9855bei, 9540kun, 7435nnn

1230-1327

Lao 9785kun, 7360kun
Malay 15600kun, 11955kun

1300-1357

Bengali 11610kun, 9600bji, 9490kun
Burmese 11780kun, 9880kun, 1188kun-yun
Chinese 13855kas, 13650uru, 7215xia, 7205bei
English 13790uru, 13670kas, 11980kun, 11900kun, 11760kun, 9870xia, 9765xia, 9730bei, 9655kas, 9570hab, 7300kas, 5955bei, 1341hdu-gua
Esperanto 11650bei, 9440nnn
French 17880bko, 15205kas, 13685bko
Hindi 9450kas, 7265uru, 1422kas-xin
Japanese 7325jin, 7215xia, 1044hnl-jia
Korean 5965xia, 1323hua-jil, 1017cah-jil
Mongolian 7285bei, 6100bei, 100.9ula, 103.7Darkhan
Russian 9870xia, 7255szg, 5990huh, 5915huh, 5905kas, 1521htb-xin, 1323uru, 963hua-jil
Vietnamese 9685xia, 9550bei, 1296kun-yun

1330-1427

Indonesian 15135kun, 11955kun
Thai 9785kun, 7360kun, 1080xua-yun

1400-1457

Amoy 11650kun, 9655kun
Bengali 11610kun, 9490kun
Burmese 11780bei, 1188kun-yun
Cambodian 9600nnn, 6055nnn
Chinese 11785kas, 11610uru, 9730kas, 9430kas, 7445kas, 7410bei, 7400bei, 6040xia
English 13740hab, 13625kas, 11665uru, 9870xia, 9795uru, 9765xia, 9460uru, 7300uru, 5955bei, 1422kas-xin
English-AF 17630bko, 13685bko
Japanese 7410jin, 7210xia, 1044hnl-jia

Korean 5965xia, 1017cah-jil
Mongolian 5990huh, 5915huh
Nepalese 7435kun, 7220kun, 1269xua-yun
Russian 9450szg, 7330xia, 6005kas, 1521htb-xin, 1323uru, 963hua-jil
Sinhalese 9610jin, 7265kas, 1188kun-yun
Tamil 9665kas, 9570kas
Urdu 7285kas, 6075kas, 1422kas-xin
Vietnamese 9685bji, 9550bei, 1296kun-yun, 684dof-hai

1400-1557
French-AF 13670cer, 11920cer

1430-1457
Filipino 11830kun, 7325xia, 1341hdu-gua

1430-1527
Lao 9675kun, 7360kun, 1080xua-yun

1500-1527
Pashto 9620kas, 7435kun
Persian 9765kun, 9600kas, 6165uru

1500-1557
Bengali 9690kun, 9610kun
Chinese 9705kas, 9590kas, 9560kas, 9455kun, 7255bei, 7235kas, 5910bei
English 13740hab, 9870xia, 9785jin, 9720uru, 9650nnn, 9525kas,
9435kas, 7405uru, 7325bei, 6095kas, 5955bei,
1323htb-xin, 1188kun-yun, 558lon
English-AF 17630bko, 13685bko
Hindi 7235kas, 7225uru
Japanese 7220jin, 5980xia, 1044hnl-jia
Nepalese 9535kun, 7215kun
Russian 6180uru, 6105szg, 6025xia, 6005kas, 5990huh, 5965bei, 5915huh,
1521htb-xin, 1323htb-xin, 963hua-jil
Tamil 13600kas, 9730kas
Turkish 9565cer, 7230cer
Urdu 7285kas, 6075kun, 1422kas-xin
Vietnamese 9550bei, 684dof-hai, 603dof-hai

1530-1557
Pashto 9620kas, 7435kun, 6165uru

1600-1657
Albanian 1215fla-alb
Arabic 17880bko, 15125bko
English 9875kas, 9600jin, 9570bei, 9460nnn, 9435kas, 7435jin, 7420uru,
7255kas, 7235kas, 6155nnn, 6100kas, 6060kun,
1323htb-xin, 1080xua-yun, 963por-fin, 558lon

Hakka 7325uru, 6090xia
Hindi 7395kun, 5915kas, 1422kas-xin, 1269xua-yun, 1188kun-yun
Russian 7265uru, 7215szg, 6070kas, 6040uru, 1521htb, 963por-fin
Swahili 7320xia, 5985bei
Turkish 7325kun, 6165uru
Vietnamese 7360kun, 6010bei

1600-1757

Arabic 11725cer, 9555cer, 7300kas
French 7350kas
German 7380cer, 5970cer

1630-1727

Hausa 9670kun, 9620kas

1700-1757

Bulgarian 1458fla-alb
Cantonese 7325uru, 7220kas
Croatian 9610kas, 7335bei
English 9570bei, 9460nnn, 7435jin, 7425kas, 7420kun, 7410kas, 7255kas,
7205bei, 6165bei, 6155nnn, 6140kas,
6100bei, 6090kun, 1323htb-xin, 1080xua-yun, 558lon
Esperanto 7245xia, 1215fla-alb
Russian 7410bji, 7265uru, 6070xia, 6040uru, 5915kas, 1521htb-xin,
963por-fin
Swahili 15125bko, 13645bko, 7400xia, 5985bei

1730-1827

Chinese 9695kun, 7445uru, 7315kun, 7275uru, 6150szg
Hausa 13645bko/11640bko from 1800, 9685kun, 9450kas

1800-1827

Persian 7325bei, 7295bei

1800-1857

Chaozhou 7285xia, 6010uru
English 7405bei, 6100bei
Italian 7435jin, 7340kas, 1458fla-alb
Polish 963por-fin
Russian 9535iss, 7255szg, 7210uru, 6170kas, 6070xia, 1521htb-xin
Romanian 1215fla-alb

1800-1957

French 7385cer, 7360cer, 6055cer, 5970cer
German 9615uru, 7395kas, 6160xia

1830-1857

Bulgarian 9695jin, 7265uru, 6020szg

Persian 7325bei, 7295bei

1830-1930

Arabic 13685bko, 11640bko

1830-2027

French 9645kun, 7350uru

1900-1927

Czech 7415uru, 7325bei

Hungarian 9560uru, 7440xia

Portuguese 13630bko/11640bko

Romanian 7305iss, 6145uru

1900-1957

Albanian 7315kas, 6020szg

Cantonese 9770kas, 7215szg

Czech 963por-fin

English 9440kun, 7295kas

Portuguese 9730kas, 9535bji, 7405xia, 7365bei, 7335jin, 5985bei

Russian 7245bji, 6110xia, 6100bei, 1521htb-xin

Turkish 9655kun, 7255kun

1900-2057

German 1440mar-lux

1930-1957

Czech 7415uru, 7305iss

Romanian 7440xia, 6145uru

1930-2027

Esperanto 9745uru, 7265uru

2000-2027

Serbian 9585kas, 7390xia, 7315uru

2000-2057

Chinese 9865kun, 7440bei, 7335szg, 7305xia, 7245kas

English 13630bko, 11640bko, 9600kas, 9440kun, 7415kas, 7295kas,

7285cer, 5985bei, 5960cer

Polish 7405uru, 6145iss, 6020szg

Russian 9525bei, 7255bji

2000-2200

Arabic 7215cer, 6185cer, 6100xia

German 963por-fin

2001-2059

Hungarian 1458fla-alb

2030-2057

Bulgarian 9720uru, 7320kun

Hungarian 9585kas, 7390jin

2030-2127

Italian 7310kas, 7265uru

2030-2227

French 7350uru, 6115bei

2100-2127

Albanian 6145iss

English 13630bko, 11640bko

Serbian 7440kun, 7425jin, 7325xia

2100-2157

Croatian 7225bei, 6135bei

English 9600kas, 7415kas, 7405bei, 7285cer, 7205xia, 5960cer, 1386ltu

Korean 7290xia, 1323hua-jil, 1017cah-jil

2100-2257

Spanish-EU 9640kas, 6020szg

2130-2157

Hungarian 7250uru, 6145iss

2130-2227

French 13630bko, 11975bko

2130-2229

Polish 1458fla-alb

2200-2257

Chinese 15505/11975bko from 2230, 7440kun, 7430jin, 7405uru, 7325kun, 7305jin, 7220kun, 6140kun, 6100kun, 5965kas

English 5915bei, 1440mar-lux

Esperanto 9860kas, 7315kas

Japanese 7440bei, 5985xia

Korean 7210xia, 1323hua-jil, 1017cah-jil

Portuguese 9685kas, 9410kas, 7260uru, 6175cer

Spanish 6100bei

2201-2301

Serbian 1215fla-alb

2200-2357

Spanish-EU 7250uru, 7210cer

2230-2330

Czech 1458fla-alb

2300-2357

Cambodian 11990nnn, 9765nnn, 684dof-hai

Cantonese 11935kun, 9460kun, 9425jin, 7325kun, 6140kun

Chinese 11975bko, 9555bei, 7425kun, 7300uru, 7295bko

English 11790xia, 9535kun, 7415kas, 7350kas, 6145bei, 5990hab,
5915kas, 1440mar-lux

Japanese 9695jin, 9435xia

Mongolian 7205xia, 6185xia

Portuguese 13650hab, 6100bei

Russian 7405huh, 5990huh

Spanish 6175cer

Vietnamese 9415bei, 7220xia, 603dof-hai

2300-0100

Spanish 9800kas, 9590kas

2330-0030

Sinhalese 7260kas, 6100kun

(from Aoki via Harold Frodge, tidied up by gh for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. VOA'S JESSICA BEINECKE TO VISIT BEIJING, CHENGDU
AND SHANGHAI --- PRESS RELEASE 19.10.2012

VOA's Jessica Beinecke, host of the hit English-language learning
program OMG! Meiyu, begins a three city tour of China on October 20th,
as a special guest of TOEFL, the US-based test of English as a foreign
language.

Jessica will be meeting with her fans at TOEFL's information booth at
the China Education Expo (CEE) in Beijing, Chengdu and Shanghai.

I'm so excited to be visiting China again, and I am especially
looking forward to meeting some of the students who have been learning
English and dreaming about studying abroad, Jessica says. iOMG! Meiyu
helps young people learn about American culture and language, so this
is a perfect fit. I get so much inspiration from my fans, and this
will also be a great opportunity to meet and talk with them.

Jessica's quirky Chinese-language video blog has attracted more than
15 million views over the past year. In each episode, she teaches
American slang expressions being used by young people. More than 300
thousand Chinese students follow her video blog and many offer her

online feedback and questions that are used to make up new programs.

Her first stop will be at the China World Exhibition Hall in Beijing on October 20th and 21st, followed by visits to the Shangri-La Hotel in Chengdu on October 25th, and the Shanghai East Asia Exhibition Center from the 27th to the 28th. She will be available to sign autographs and meet with fans and visitors at the CEE fairs at all three locations.

Jessica's OMG! Meiyu video blog can be found on a variety of websites, including YouTube, VOA's Mandarin language website, as a podcast, and through the iTunes store (VOA PR via DXLD)

Since the ChiCom jam her and all other VOA Chinese programs, why in the world are they letting her into the country? The mysterious Orient. Apparently her video blog is unblocked? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. CQ, CQ, CQ; Aquí Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

689.95, R. Recuerdos, Bogotá., 7/10 0840-0905, 33333, avisos y comunicados, ID ¡Por Radio Recuerdos!, ID ¡En Radio Recuerdos, servicio de avisos clasificados y comunicados!, ID ¡Recuerdos me gusta m·s!, ID, TS ison las 4 de la mañana en Radio Recuerdos!

809.97, R. Caracol, SF de Bogotá., 16/10 0940-1000, 33333, música rock, ID ¡Por Radio Caracol!, música, ID ¡Esta usted escuchando Caracol Radio! programa El Noticiero, ads banco BBVA en el mes del ahorro.

1089.97, Caracol Radio, Bogotá., 8/10 020-09640 [sic], 33333, ID ¡Caracol Radio, 1090 AM, 3263050 Caracol Radio una compañía! noticias ID ¡Caracol Radio ha sido protagonista de la noticia!

1169.97, R. Ondas del Meta, Villavicencio, 8/10 0944-1005, 33333, comentan sobre el proceso de la cosecha del café y sus diferentes tipos de grano, música, ads arroz Cecano, ID ¡Ondas del Meta!, música, ID ¡Usted escucha Ondas del Meta, en el informativo! news comentadas por Alfredo Gonzales.

1449.97, La Caribosa, Manizales, 22/09 0945-1035, 33333, música tropical, ID ¡la Caribosa 1450AM, desde Manizales!, programa Buenos días, news, ID, ¡5 de la mañana con 15 minutos en la Caribosa!

5909.96, R. Alcaravan Radio, Puertolleras, 8/10 1025-1105, música rancheras, ID ¡Alcaravan Radio 5910! (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima,

Per', la recepci n la he efectuado del 22/09 al 20/10 en compa  a de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompa ado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 20 metros y una antena loop, Muchos 128 s, Chasqui DX via DXLD)

Note: all his frequency measurements in this and other countries, MW and SW are on the low side or right on, never on the hi side. This is very improbable, so suspect his precision is a bit off. Either that, or every LA transmitter he hears is subject to lowering but not highering its frequency (gh, DXLD)

6010.13, HJDH, La Voz de tu Conciencia (tentative); 0417-0432+, 14-Oct; Spanish religious program -- sounds like a news / discussion with M&W alternating; mentioned Colombia & Puerto Lleras. SI0=2+42+ (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COSTA RICA. 9630/DRM, Radio Exterior de Espa a; 0148, 10/19?; After about an hour setting up software and sound card cables my PCR1000 was able to log this DRM station. Spanish voice broadcasting at 20.96 kbs and occasional text on the DREAM software window stating Radio "REE, MONO, 24kbs, SPANISH, RTEV.ES". Their website rtev.es. This is my first DRM copy. Fascinating. Tune 10 kHz higher than center, 50 kHz wide LSB and the buzzing sounds turn to crystal clear audio after the software captures the stream. I will be spending more time looking for DRM now (Randall Rhode, Canton MI, MARE Tipsheet 19 Oct via DXLD)

** CUBA. Odd transmission heard. Hi, Warren Jackson here, W8AYC. I heard your broadcast for the first time yesterday on SFAWBN.com, and enjoyed it very much. The question I have is I have heard an automated Spanish female voice saying numbers in Spanish. They are always groups of five, with a slight pause in between. I have heard this many times on many frequencies and many different times of the day. What is this? Thanks for your help. 73 (Warren Jackson, Oct 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Warren, spy transmissions from Cuba. Or maybe they are just pretending. There is more about this than you would ever want to know at ENIGMA.

<http://www.brogers.dsl.pipex.com/enigma2000/>

Exact schedules depending on time and day of week have been compiled. There are many other such numbers transmissions in other languages. Some of the Cuban frequencies also carry ``cut numbers`` with Morse code letters replacing each number for clarity. 73, (Glenn to Warren, via DXLD)

** CUBA. 820, Oct 18 at 0520 UT, in WBAP null, heard a Radio Reloj top-of-minute tone signal, and ``RR`` in code; a minute later I

compared to WWV and found R.R. was 6 sec late. By one minute after that, it was no longer audible. WRTH 2012 lists four Cubans on 820, but the only R. Reloj is 10 kW in Ciego de Avila. Some weeks ago in the WBAP null I heard instead its 'Red Eye Radio' affiliate WWBA in Largo, Florida making an echo, but not tonight (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. [Re 12-42:] ``WRTH 2012 shows Cuba on 1080 only as CMCH, Radio Cadena Habana, in Villa María CH which means Ciudad de la Habana province, yet keyed as entry HA01, which leads to the separate La Habana province. The Radio Cadena Habana website (no abbreviating here), mentions 1080 as its only AM frequency:
<http://www.cadenahabana.cu/quienes-somos/> ``

ITU shows official calls as CMBW (B indicates Ciudad de la Habana). "CMCH" is the call sign used over the air and is actually the FM call sign (CMCH-FM). The AM was also CMCH prior to the 1982 reorganization.

``WRTH 2012 listed website for Radio Ciudad de la Habana (CMBE 820)
<http://www.habanaenlinea.cu/> goes nowhere``

I show 3 Cubans on 820 on my list:
CMBU Arroyo Arenas (Radio Ciudad de La Habana)
CMIB Ciego de Avila (Radio Progreso)
CMKG Moa (Radio Progreso)

Re 820, forgot to mention that CMBE is the FM call for 94.9 (CMBE-FM). AM changed from CMBE to CMBU in 1982.

The ICRT directory is a good source for calls; just remember sometimes it shows the main AM call, sometimes the FM.
<http://www.radiocubana.icrt.cu/index.php/directorio-de-radio-emisoras-cubanas>

Check out La Habana Province: you will see CMCO, CMCN, etc. as official calls; but CMBS, CMBW in e-mail addresses. This is where WRTH gets all confused. Many Cubans use "classic calls", some use modern calls. wrh (W. Hepburn, Ont.,
http://dxinfocentre.com/Call_Signs.htm#C
DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 5025, Oct 20 at 0543, R. Rebelde is OFF! Instead there is a ute with RTTY and noise bursts mixed in, something we never hear QRMing Rebelde when it is on, so could the Cubans have turned it off deliberately to replace it with this traffic? Still off at 1209 check when it would otherwise still be propagating. That's helpful for hearing Solomons 5019.9v, Peru 5025, but not yet by me (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Back on the next night

FYI I am hearing Radio Rebelde and RTTY as well behind it right now.
2327 UT. Sent from my iPad (David Pete, October 20, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. 6010, Oct 18 at 0541, RHC midweek-mailbag in English is lowly modulated about like // 6125, much softer than normal level 6050. ``Ed Newman`` is proudly promoting the 2013 RHC pocket calendar, which will premiÈre on Tuesday Oct 23, and then be mailed out to listeners on request. This one honors JosÈ Martí on his 160th birthday year. (I understand the commies consider him Cuba's national hero just like the anti-commies; who really owns him?) Ed makes it such a big deal, but I have received these calendars in the past, which are simply a 2 x 3 inch card, more or less, with a black and white portrait of some big shot on one side, and the entire year's calendar on the other. I can't recall whether they make Sundays the first or last day of the week in the layout, but I prefer first, just like HFCC, so RHC is probably contrary (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See below for article on this, and link to the Martí portrait

9954.950, Jeff's WRMI heard in English, disturbed by NEW TONE SCRATCHING (for my ears) jamming from Cuba at 0637 UT (Wolfgang B, schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15340 et al., Sunday Oct 21 at 1338 tune in late to RHC, afraid I missed the birthdays on `En Contacto`, the Spanish DX program at 1335, but no --- it's been pre-empted for remote correspondent reports about voting today in Santiago, Holguín, Las Tunas, etc. Big deal: who says a one-party dictatorship can't go thru the motions of democracy --- as long as all the candidates for the national legislature are good Commies! Reporters even cite the exact numbers of people voting {mandatory?}, altho the day has just started.

So we are totally out of luck this Sunday morning for Spanish DX programs, also gone from REE an hour earlier [see SPAIN], and I can now go back to REE 11880 without guilt for the current program, world music on `Mundofonías`. Will there be any Contacto at the scheduled repeats of 2235(?) or UT Monday 0135?

6010, Oct 24 at 0524, RHC English playing reggae version of ``Hotel California``, neat. No back-announcement of source at 0530, into ``news`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Cuba on a 2nd harmonic
<http://youtu.be/Wv-8MWTGj30>

23680 (which is the double of 11840) also very audible on 11760 of course (Colin Newell - Victoria B.C. DXer and Ham - VA7WWV, ICOM 703+ / DRAKE R8 / ETON E1 / Kenwood R2000, Antennas: Wellbrook ALA100's "

Workman Verticals, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD) no date

23680 H, Radio Havana Cuba, 2103-2155, Oct 23, 2nd harmonic of 11840. Spanish talk. ID. Weak, but fair on peaks. 2 x 11840. Thanks to Colin Newell tip (Brian Alexander, PA, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX Listening Digest)

** CUBA. Here's what a big deal RHC manages to make of their little pocket calendar card. The illustration, which makes J.M. look a rather ghoulish:
<http://www.radiohc.cu/imagenes/calendariorhpublicar/calendario-marti-bolsillo.jpg>
(Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

CUBA: RADIO HABANA CUBA PRESENTA SU CALENDARIO DE BOLSILLO 2013.
Por: Katia Madruga M´rquez

La Habana , 23 oct (RHC).- Radio Habana Cuba present  este martes en La Habana su Calendario de bolsillo 2013 dedicado al 160 aniversario del natalicio del H eroe Nacional, Jos  Mart .

El almanaque est  ilustrado con la imagen del Ap stol de la independencia de Cuba, captada por el fot grafo Jos  Mar a Mellado del mural realizado hace tres d cadas por el Pintor de Iberoam rica Oswaldo Guayasam n.

Durante el acto Pedro Mart nez Pirez, subdirector de Radio Habana Cuba obsequi  una lienzograf a con la imagen del Ap stol al l der cubano, Fidel Castro , la cual fue recibida por su hijo, el fot grafo Alex Castro.

Asimismo, el Dr. Armando Hart D valos, director del Programa Martiano recib  en nombre del Presidente cubano, Ra l Castro, la celebrada lienzograf a.

Adem s se entregaron lienzograf as de Jos  Mart  a los embajadores en Cuba de los pa ses que integran la Alianza Bolivarianapara los Pueblos de Nuestra Am rica (ALBA) para conced rselas a los Presidentes de sus pa ses y a los familiares de los Cinco H eroes cubanos: Gerardo, Ram n, Ren , Fernando y Antonio, prisioneros desde hace m s de 12 a os en Estados Unidos.

Magalys Lloret, madre del antiterrorista cubano Fernando Gonz lez llam  a defender la unidad de los pueblos y convoc  a los presentes continuar la obra de antecesores como Jos  Mart , a qui n calific  como gu a indiscutible en el proceso revolucionario cubano.

La actividad se efectu  en la sede del Centro de Estudios Martianos,

cuya directora, Ana Sánchez alertó sobre el peligro de extinción que corre la humanidad ante la posibilidad de una guerra mundial y la amenaza del cambio climático.

Sánchez anunció que el 28 de enero del 2013 se iniciará la III Conferencia Internacional por el equilibrio del mundo, evento que se organizó para rendir homenaje a José Martí en su aniversario 160.

Ante personalidades de la cultura, la política y los medios de comunicación, el niño Armando Guayasamín Carzola, integrante de la compañía cubana La Colmenita leyó la primera carta que escribiera José Martí a su madre, doña Leonor Pérez Cabrera.

Los asistentes a la cita recibieron el calendario de bolsillo de Radio Habana Cuba, editado en Madrid con la colaboración de la Fundación Guayasamín y la Asociación española Cultura y Cooperación Internacional.

FUENTE:

<http://www.radiohc.cu/noticias/nacionales/23810-radio-habana-cuba-presenta-su-calendario-de-bolsillo-2013-en-homenaje-a-jose-marti.html>
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

** CUBA [non]. TV MARTÍ RECEIVES THREE EMMY NOMINATIONS
October 24, 2012

Miami - TV Martí, the Broadcasting Board of Governors' television service that provides programming to Cuba, has been nominated for Emmy Awards for its audio design work and for programs Estado de SATS and Hacia La Democracia.

TV Martí has undergone a complete redesign in the last few years, and these programs are great examples of its commitment to its mission of bringing quality, unbiased news and information to the Cuban people. The three nominations were made by the Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

Estado de SATS is a weekly program made in Cuba, with wrap-around segments produced in Miami, that tackles the realities and challenges faced by Cubans. Hacia La Democracia is a how-to guide for transitioning from totalitarianism to democracy. In the craft categories, TV Martí's cutting edge programs Antena Live and 7 N 30 share a nomination for audio design.

The nomination for Estado de SATS is significant because it is the first show made by Cubans in Cuba to be recognized by the Academy. Antonio Rodiles, the show's creator, producer and presenter, thanked the Martí's for their support and for distributing the program. "This

nomination is a tremendous stimulus to continue to work hard and a magnificent award for all of Cuban society," he said in a phone interview from Havana.

"What Antonio Rodiles has been able to do is nothing short of amazing," said Carlos García-Pérez, Director of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting, which oversees Radio and TV Martí. "He, along with everyone else at TV Martí, is bringing Cubans the kind informative and compelling programming their own government denies them. People in Cuba are taking notice, and we are grateful to the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences for recognizing these efforts. It shows great courage and determination," García-Pérez added.

Hacia La Democracia is based on the writings of Dr. Gene Sharp, a world renowned activist and founder of the Albert Einstein Institute. The nominated special explains how Sharp's philosophy of non-violence could be applied to a Cuba, and what Cubans living on the island can do to bring about democracy in a peaceful way. "This nomination reinforces the Martí's commitment to continue to produce valuable programs for our audience in Cuba," García-Pérez said.

Janet Lomba, Director of TV Martí and Executive Producer of both programs, host Vanessa Ruiz and director Jose Vallois, are nominated alongside Mr. Rodiles for Estado de SATS. Producer Tatiana Riquelme, Vanessa Ruiz and Caridad Rubido are nominated for Hacia La Democracia. TV Martí's Fabian Crespo is nominated for his craft in audio design for Antena Live and 7 N 30.

Emmy winners will be announced in an award ceremony on Saturday Dec. 1, in Hollywood, Florida. (BBG PR Dr Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD) That's nice, but not to be confused with the national Emmys (gh, DXLD)

** CYPRUS. CYPRUS SW RELAY TO CLOSE. CYPRUS MW TO CONTINUE, BUT FOR REDUCED HOURS. BBC ARABIC ON SHORTWAVE TO CLOSE, EXCEPT TO SUDAN.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/ariel/20082294>

(Chris Greenway, UT Oct 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Much more about this in next DXLD; and meantime in the dxldyg

** CZECHIA. There's also an unusual Czech time signal station on 7039.4 khz - details here

<http://ok0epb.nagano.cz/index.php?page=Main+page>

73s (Tony Molloy, nr Winter Hill,UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very interesting, ham station with ``exact pendulum beacon``, with illustrations, graphs. Unfortunately most of the comments appended are spam (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DIEGO GARCIA [and non]. BRITISH INDIAN OCEAN TERRITORY: 4319/USB, AFN/AFRTS; 2231-2246+, 16-Oct; Uncopiable audio at tune-in; steadily improving but still poor in heavy QRN. "American Forces Radio Network" spot at 2239 into long series of PSAs. Arnold the Terminator is close to both here and there at this time. Nothing on 5765 via Guam. Per <http://www.docksideradio.com/AFRTS.htm>
Key West (5446.5, 7811 & 12133.5) has been decommissioned. I've never heard either of the higher freqs from Garcia or Guam (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. CHINA: 9595.0 ñ China Radio International via Kashgar (Kashi), Xinjiang; 0200 Spanish to South America; IDs in Mandarin and Spanish into news in Spanish; fair; seems like an interesting choice of transmitter site for such a service; I've been fascinated by Kashgar and other towns around the Taklamakan Desert ever since reading about the explorations of Sir Aurel Stein, Sven Hedin, and others in the late 19th and early 20th centuries; 10/19 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, <http://www.andyrobinsradio.com> DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. CQ, CQ, CQ; Aquí Pedro F. Arrun-tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

829.96, R. Huancavilca, Guayaquil, 26/09 0350-0445, 33333, m'sica LA romántica, ID iHuancavilca 830AM en Radioí, m'sica, programa M'sica Olvidada, m'sica LA, programa, ID iBoletín Aquí La hora por radio Huancavilca desde Guayaquilí news varias

1029.98, R. Eco Antena, Guayaquil, 7/10, 0910-0945, 33333, m'sica tropical, ID iLa mejor compa0ía en su oficina y casa Radio Eco Antenaí

1270.00, R. Universal, Guayaquil, 26/09 0548-0630, 33333, m'sica salsa, ID iExiste un lugar donde toda la m'sica se da, Radio Universal 1270 AMí

1350.00, R. Teleradio 13-50 AM digital, Guayaquil, 27/09 1046-1110, 33333, m'sica latina tropical, ads Mobil Super, una nueva generaci0n de lubricante para tu motor, m'sica tropical, ID iLa mejor m'sica est aquí en Teleradio 13-50 AM digital, m's musical, musical; y en línea directa con los Éxitos a través del 2680696 (Pedro F. Arrun-tegui, Lima, Per', la recepci0n la he efectuado del 22/09 al 20/10 en compa0ía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 20 metros y una antena loop, Muchos 128¥s, Chasqui DX via DXLD)

Note: all his frequency measurements in this and other countries, MW and SW are on the low side or right on, never on the hi side. This is very improbable, so suspect his precision is a bit off (gh, DXLD)

** ECUADOR [non]. GERMANY, Constantine Massalitin (Voronezh studio "Revelation") reported that the "Voice of the Andes" in the winter season in Russian will be broadcast via the new transmitter - this time in Nauen, Germany, at a frequency of 13740 kHz. Schedule of broadcasts - Saturdays from 1530-1630, first aired Nov 3. 13740 kHz 1530-1630 UT zone 29S, NAU 100kW 95degr 7=Sat 281012-300313 HCJ

At a frequency of 3995 kHz broadcast will be open daily from 0300 UT. Information from the DX Courier: <<http://www.dxcourier.ru/>> (Dmitry Kutuzov, Russia, deneb-radio-dx via midxb Oct 1 via BC-DX TopNews 22 Oct via DXLD)

** EGYPT. 9965.0 ñ Radio Cairo, Abu Zaabal; 2320 English to North America but, as others have noted, the audio was severely distorted and almost unintelligible; S9 + 20 db, 10/16 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9305, Oct 21 at 0432, R. Cairo humbuzz, self-imposed propeller-noise jamming atop just barely modulated presumed Arabic, totally useless. Sounds like it is about to explode, self-destruct, which would be a good thing, end of misery; just get the clueless staff if any, far enough away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 15190, Radio Africa (presumed); 1727, 13-Oct; English huxter Dr. Edward McAbee on The Sounds of Blessings; music has the hiccups. SI0=253- with muted audio -- crisper in USB. They seem to be missing since this log. Not heard on numerous checks (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! Oct 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, Oct 21 at 1912 check, a JBA carrier, presumably PHILIPPINES and not R. Africa, as at same time Nigeria DRM is roaring on 15115-15125. One would expect R. Africa to be on the air at this hour, especially on a Sunday. Have not heard it for a while now at this or any other time.

On Oct 18, Harold Frodge, MI, said he had not heard it since Oct 13 at 1727. The last time I heard it was Oct 10 until 2020:20 in French! After the looping problem, as in DXLD 12-41 (Glen Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, Radio Africa, 2000-2007*, Oct 24, US produced English religious

programming. Abrupt sign off mid-program. Fair to good (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** ERITREA. 7179.989, Voice of Broad Masses (Dimtse ...) usual on 7175v, today 5 kHz up. Arabic 1710 UT on Oct 18, S=8, endless speech to the crowd (Wolfgang B_schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 22 Oct via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA. Re E-SAT Radio via BULGARIA at 17-18 on 15355 to 15395: all jammed {WHITE NOISE broadband like DRM sound by Ethiopia, wb.} Transmissions of Radio Xoriyo & E-SAT Radio are jammed by strong DRM like noise, from Ethiopia govt (Wolfgang B_schel, BCDX via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA. Roberto Pavanello: QSL Amhara State Regional R. 6090 kHz

Ciao! Amhara State Regional R. 6090 kHz - Amhara Mass Media Agency - Bahir Dar - Ethiopia con testo allegato da chalet23 @ yahoo.com in 50 giorni. v/s Chalacew Achamyeh Head of Amhara Radio Station. Si 1 IRC. Roberto Pavanello [Viz. sic:]

Dear, Roberto pavanello

We would like to thanks for ward and apology for taking so long to appreciate your kinds in your reception report for listening . The Amhara Regional Radio journalist honorably received your comments and enclosed CDs.

We also received similar comments from 4 different countries like Finland, Italy, Greece and Japan. This has really amazed all the Radio broad cast staff members. Because, no one expected such genuine feedbacks from the destination which far away from Ethiopia, Africa and Middle East countries.

Our station is located near the source of Blue Nile .The regional Radio station broad cast 9 hours a day. The content of the programs focused on social, Economic and political issues most likely at the regional level. We also have 53 journalists. We serve more than 15 million peoples of the region.

The Amhara Mass Media Agency, by now on the way to finish a new media complex and also plan to enhance its transmission time from nine to 18 hours a day.

We are very happy for your feed- back and we think we are lucky since we heard it from such beautiful land. Your feedback would encourage us to do more in the future. Please precede it. We attach the staff members of the Radio.

Thank you again for your information- since we are working in

developing media we also work strongly for the betterment of the people and the nation as well.

Keep in touch
Chalacew Achamyelhe
Head of Amhara Radio Station

(via Roberto Pavanello, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. Fwd: [RHCI-Online] Dave Jones /// Log: WRI 12257 kHz 0= 3-4

----- Original-Nachricht -----

Betreff: [RHCI-Online] Dave Jones
Datum: Sat, 20 Oct 2012 23:38:03 -0700
Von: Hans-Joachim Brustmann

Antwort an: Antworte, um einen Kommentar zu hinterlassen

Hans-Joachim Brustmann hat in RHCI-Online gepostet
Dave Jones Good morning guys, Just a little...
Hans-Joachim Brustmann 21. Oktober 08:38
Dave Jones

Good morning guys, Just a little note to let you know that WR International is on air. As usual we are on 12257 kHz, Live from 08:00 to 11:00 BST and also on line; click the link to listen
<http://radio.wrinternational.co.uk:8003/listen.pls>

If you would like to get in touch you are welcome to e-mail us
[radio @ wrinternational.co.uk](mailto:radio@wrinternational.co.uk)
We are also using the web cam so if you like you can try that, the link is
<http://www.ustream.tv/channel/wr-international-radio>

We look forward to hearing from you, have a good day. 73's Dave
<http://radio.wrinternational.co.uk:8003/listen.pls>
radio.wrinternational.co.uk
<http://radio.wrinternational.co.uk:8003/listen.pls>
radio.wrinternational.co.uk
(via roger.roger, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

Recording from today:
http://www.rhci-online.de/Studio1_12257kHz_2012-10-21_0705utc_WRI.m4a
slight disturbance of a thunderstorm area over southern France
QTH: Central Germany, IC-R75+Studio1, Dipol 2x6m
(roger, ibid.) Mostly music, but ID near the end of long clip (gh)

I probably missed something, but what is this station all about? Never

heard about it before. Sched? Location?
<http://radio.wrinternational.co.uk> does not work here.
73, (Erik Koie, Copenhagen, ibid.)

It's just another pirate with a rather unusual frequency (gh, DXLD)

Sched: Via Internet audio stream only when the station also broadcasts on shortwave, which is usually Sunday morning BST 08-11 ~
Loc: ~somewhere~ in the UK ... with 35 Watts on 12256 kHz. But maybe you do a few thoughts on the "W" in the name ;-)
(roger, ibid.)

** EUROPE. Radio Spaceshuttle TESTS of High Frequencies this weekend 19th to 20th October.

Dear friends, Radio Spaceshuttle will be on 19 mb 15.8 MHz area this weekend from Friday evening to Saturday evening. Each of our transmissions will be very short (perhaps 15 minute to 30 minutes long), But hoping to have many of them. So, main frequency will be 15880 kHz (AM and LSB), but operating area might vary from 15770 up to 15880 kHz range.

Testing time from Friday evening 21 UTC to 6 UTC Saturday. And daytime on Saturday 9-13 UTC (several short tests). Please, send reception reports for these tests, if audible! Spaceshuttleradio @ yahoo.com
Thank you! (Dick Spacewalker, 1401 UT Oct 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST; also via David Pete, DXLD)

<http://spaceshuttleradio.freesevers.com/>
(also via Mike Barraclough, dxldyg via DXLD)

Hi Dick, Thanks for the advance notice. Members of the DXLD yahoogroup have also been notified. I checked a couple times between 21 and 22 UT, but nothing. And hardly any full-power signals from Europe on 19m, e.g. Greece 15630 just barely audible carrier. I'm afraid the frequency range is too high for likely propagation from you to central North America. Maybe it will be better tomorrow morning (our time).
Regards, (Glenn Hauser, Oklahoma, RSI via DXLD)

Hoping so, Glenn. Start after 10 UT. Shall continue longer perhaps until 20 UT. But short tests only (Dick Spacewalker, 0907 UT, ibid.)

R Spaceshuttle - is on air right now on 15880 AM. From 0953 UT. 73,
(Erik Koie, Copenhagen, ibid.)

Now on 15880 USB at 1100 UT, poor condx in Japan (S. Hasegawa, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

Heard in Massachusetts at 1234 with Cyndi Lauper's "Girls just wanna have fun" and other pop tunes. All songs were cut short and there were a few drop outs of the audio. ID heard at 1248 over "Ghostbusters" song. Poor signal with lots of static (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Heard here Sat Oct 20, 2012 1404-1418 on 15880 only on USB: 3 songs last one of which by Eminem, several IDs before off. Heard again right now from 1430 a song by female (Tony Ashar, West Java, Indonesia, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, I was thrown off by the "AM" reference that someone posted a while ago. Reception is quite good in Victoria at 1447. Fairly frequent IDs acknowledging reports. Very nice to listen to a Europirate! spaceshuttleradio @ yahoo.com is the announced email address.

Wow, a fantastic signal, announcing that they were closing down (at 1458). Running 25 watts from Scandinavia, according to announcements. I had thought this was a Dutch pirate? Carrier cut at 1501:20. Nope, they came back a few seconds later with the same folk song to 1504. Likely off for good now! (Walt Salmaniaw, Victoria BC, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I've been hearing him too. Address in Netherlands, previous eQSL claimed Finland.

<http://www.w4uvh.net/QSL2012SpaceshuttleDXGlenn.jpg>

I just heard from Dick Spacewalker that he may extend until 20 UT today (Glenn Hauser, 1542 UT, ibid.)

15880-USB, Oct 19 at 2109 UT looking for R. Spaceshuttle International pirate test as Dick Spacewalker had publicized in advance, but nothing audible; not surprising, since even full-power stations in southern Europe were very poor, such as Greece 15630: too high a frequency for this path starting in the night. I told him, maybe better luck tomorrow morning our time, when he was also going to test intermittently on this or lower channels. He replied that he would extend the Oct 20 broadcast perhaps until 20 UT.

And indeed it was better: a weak signal but definitely there if I go on the porch to diminish household noise levels, as 19m propagation is now above normal: Oct 20 at 1410 rock music, (1414 ionosonde sweeps by swiftly), distorted low voice announcement, maybe mentions Spaceshuttle. Since it's USB, I can ``improve`` the pitch by offtuning slightly, but still too weak to copy much detail. Not even nudging the DX-398 signal meter from no bars at all, with usual random wire antenna inserted. Boing SFX. 1417 more distorted voice announcements, off at 1418*. Dick said his transmissions would be short and

intermittent. 1428 recheck, he's back on 15880-USB again. Still/again audible at 1445.

For last April's reception he sent a really neat eQSL, labeled Finland <http://www.w4uvh.net/QSL2012SpaceshuttleDXGlenn.jpg> and another design like that would be welcome (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. TWR Europe B-12 schedule

ALBANIA/AUSTRIA/CYPRUS/ESTONIA/France/GERMANY/MOLDOVA

TRANS WORLD RADIO - EUROPE TRANSMISSION SCHEDULE WINTER B-12
31 OCT 2012 - 30 MAR 2013. Updated: 19 Oct 2012 / Revision 0

SW (Shortwave)

TRANS WORLD RADIO - MOOSBRUNN, AUSTRIA

TIME/UTC	DAYS	LANGUAGE	FREQ	PWR	AZI	ZONES
0645-0700	12345..	POLISH	7225	100	300	28
0800-0850	1234567	ENGLISH	7400	100	300	27
1500-1530	.234567	RUSSIAN	9495	100	55	28/29/30
1500-1530	1.....	BELORUSSIAN	9495	100	55	28/29/30

TRANS WORLD RADIO - WERTACHTAL, GERMANY

0645-0700	12345..	POLISH	5910	100	55	28
0800-0850	1234567	ENGLISH	6105	100	300	27
0930-1000	1234567	HUNGARIAN	7210	100	105	28
1100-1130	.....6	ROMANIAN	6105	100	105	28
1500-1530	.234567	RUSSIAN	7295	100	60	28/29/30
1500-1530	1.....	BELORUSSIAN	7295	100	60	28/29/30
1629-16596.	ROMANIAN	6105	100	105	28

Day 1 = Mon ... 7 = Sun

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MW (Medium Wave)

TRANS WORLD RADIO - ROUMOULES, RMC-FRANCE

2045-2115	123.56.	Kabyle	1467	1000	216	37,38
2045-2130	...4..7	Kabyle	1467	1000	216	37,38
2115-2130	.....6.	Tachawit	1467	1000	216	37,38

2115-2130	....5..	Sous/Tachelhit	1467	1000	216	37,38
2115-2130	.2.....	Tarifit	1467	1000	216	37,38
2115-2130	1.3....	Tamazight	1467	1000	216	37,38
2130-2145	.....6.	Arabic/Tunis	1467	1000	216	37,38
2130-2145	...4...	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2130-2145	123.5.7	Arabic/Egypt	1467	1000	216	37,38
2145-2200	....5..	Arabic/Lebanese	1467	1000	216	37,38
2145-2200	...4...	Arabic/Tunis	1467	1000	216	37,38
2145-2215	.....6.	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2145-2245	.....7	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2145-2300	123....	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2200-2300	...45..	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2215-2230	.....6.	Arabic/Moroccan	1467	1000	216	37,38
2230-2245	.....6.	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2245-2300	.....7	Arabic/Jordanian	1467	1000	216	37,38
2245-2300	.....6.	Arabic/Moroccan	1467	1000	216	37,38
2300-2315	.....6.	Arabic	1467	1000	216	37,38
2300-2315	...45 .	Arabic/Moroccan	1467	1000	216	37,38
2300-2315	123 .	English	1467	1000	325	27
2300-2345	.....7	English	1467	1000	325	27

TRANS WORLD RADIO - TARTU, ESTONIA

0200-0400	1234567	RUSSIAN	1035	100	non-dir	28,29
1600-1700	1.3.5..	RUSSIAN	1035	100	non-dir	28,29
1800-2000	1234567	RUSSIAN	1035	100	non-dir	28,29

TRANS WORLD RADIO - FLLAKE, ALBANIA

1925-2000	1234567	Hungarian	1395	500	330	28
2000-2015	.....6.	Polish	1395	500	330	28
2000-2030	12345.7	Polish	1395	500	330	28
2015-2130	.....6.	Croatian	1395	500	330	28
2030-2045	.....7	Croatian	1395	500	330	28
2030-2100	12345..	Croatian	1395	500	330	28
2045-2130	.....7	Bosnian	1395	500	330	28
2100-2130	12345..	Serbian	1395	500	330	28

TRANS WORLD RADIO - CAPE GRECO, CYPRUS

0300-0330	12345..	Arabic	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2025-2040	123....	Arabic	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2025-2126	.....67	Arabic	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2025-2156	...45..	Arabic	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2040-2055	..3....	Arabic/Egyptian	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2040-2055	.2.....	Arabic/Jordanian	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2040-2055	1.....	Arabic/Lebanese	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2055-2156	123....	Arabic	1233	600	205	38,39,40

2126-2141	.....6.	Arabic/Egypt	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2126-2156	.....7	Arabic/Egypt	1233	600	205	38,39,40
2141-2156	.....6.	Arabic	1233	600	205	38,39,40

TRANS WORLD RADIO - GRIGORIOPOL, MOLDOVA

1900-1930	12....7	Ukrainian	999	500	non-dir29
1900-1945	.....6.	Ukrainian	999	500	non-dir29
1900-2000	..345..	Ukrainian	999	500	non-dir29
1930-2000	1.....	Russian	999	500	non-dir29
1930-2030	.2....7	Russian	999	500	non-dir29
1945-2015	.....6.	Russian	999	500	non-dir29
2000-2030	..345..	Russian	999	500	non-dir29
2000-2030	1.....	Belorussian	999	500	non-dir29
2015-2030	.....6.	Ukrainian	999	500	non-dir29

1800-1830	1234567	Bulgarian	1548	1000	245	28
1830-1845	1234567	Romani/Balkan	1548	1000	245	28
1845-1915	12345..	Romanian	1548	1000	245	28
1845-1945	.....67	Romanian	1548	1000	245	28
1915-1945	12345..	Romani/Vlax	1548	1000	245	28
1945-20007	Montenegrin	1548	1000	245	28
1945-2000	123456.	Serbian	1548	1000	245	28

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AUSTRIA: TWR (TransWorld Radio)
31 OCT 2012 - 30 MAR 2013 (sic - not 28 Oct)

Arabic
0300-0330 1233cy [12345..]
2025-2040 1233cy [123....]
2025-2126 1233cy [.....67]
2025-2156 1233cy [...45..]
2055-2156 1233cy [123....]
2130-2145 1467rmc [...4...]
2141-2156 1233cy [.....6.]
2145-2215 1467rmc [.....6.]

2145-2245 1467rmc [.....7]
 2145-2300 1467rmc [123....]
 2200-2300 1467rmc [...45..]
 2230-2245 1467rmc [.....6.]
 2300-2315 1467rmc [.....6.]
 Arabic/Egypt
 2126-2141 1233cy [.....6.]
 2126-2156 1233cy [.....7]
 2130-2145 1467rmc [123.5.7]
 2040-2055 1233cy [..3....]
 Arabic/Jordanian
 2040-2055 1233cy [..2.....]
 2245-2300 1467rmc [.....7]
 Arabic/Lebanese
 2040-2055 1233cy [1.....]
 2145-2200 1467rmc [....5..]
 Arabic/Moroccan
 2215-2230 1467rmc [.....6.]
 2245-2300 1467rmc [.....6.]
 2300-2315 1467rmc [...45 .]
 Arabic/Tunis
 2130-2145 1467rmc [.....6.]
 2145-2200 1467rmc [...4...]
 Belorussian
 1500-1530 7295we 9495au [1.....]
 2000-2030 999gr [1.....]
 Bosnian
 2045-2130 1395fl [.....7]
 Bulgarian
 1800-1830 1548gr [1234567]
 Croatian
 2015-2130 1395fl [.....6.]
 2030-2045 1395fl [.....7]
 2030-2100 1395fl [12345..]
 English
 0800-0850 6105we 7400au [1234567]
 2300-2315 1467rmc [123 .]
 2300-2345 1467rmc [.....7]
 Hungarian
 0930-1000 7210we [1234567]
 1925-2000 1395fl [1234567]
 Kabyle
 2045-2115 1467rmc [123.56.]
 2045-2130 1467rmc [...4..7]
 Montenegrin
 1945-2000 1548gr [.....7]
 Polish
 0645-0700 5910we 7225au [12345..]

2000-2015 1395fl [.....6.]
 2000-2030 1395fl [12345.7]
 Romani/Balkan
 1830-1845 1548gr [1234567]
 Romani/Vlax
 1915-1945 1548gr [12345..]
 Romanian
 1100-1130 6105we [.....6]
 1629-1659 6105we [.....6.]
 1845-1915 1548gr [12345..]
 1845-1945 1548gr [.....67]
 Russian
 0200-0400 1035es [1234567]
 1500-1530 7295we 9495au [.234567]
 1600-1700 1035es [1.3.5..]
 1800-2000 1035es [1234567]
 1930-2000 999gr [1.....]
 1930-2030 999gr [.2....7]
 1945-2015 999gr [.....6.]
 2000-2030 999gr [..345..]
 Serbian
 1945-2000 1548gr [123456.]
 2100-2130 1395fl [12345..]
 Sous/Tachelhit
 2115-2130 1467rmc [....5..]
 Tachawit
 2115-2130 1467rmc [.....6.]
 Tamazight
 2115-2130 1467rmc [1.3....]
 Tarifit
 2115-2130 1467rmc [.2.....]
 Ukrainian
 1900-1930 999gr [12....7]
 1900-1945 999gr [.....6.]
 1900-2000 999gr [..345..]
 2015-2030 999gr [.....6.]

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Transmitters:

au = Moosbrunn AUSTRIA
 cy = Cyprus
 es = Tartu ESTONIA
 fl = Fllake ALBANIA
 gr = Grigoriopol PRIDNESTROVYE
 rmc = Roumoules FRANCE
 we = Wertachtal GERMANY

(TWR, via Wolfgang Bueschel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 21, 2012,
re-arranged by Alan Roe, dxldydg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. All transmissions of BNL Rock in Radio in English are
cancelled:

0600-1100 6085 KLL 020 kW / non-dir WeEu Mon-Fri
0600-1800 6085 KLL 020 kW / non-dir WeEu Sat/Sun

From Oct. 15 this frequency is Radio 700:

0600-1800 6085 KLL 020 kW / non-dir WeEu // 3955 KLL 020 kW / ND and
0800-1700 // 6005 KLL 100 kW / non-dir WeEu
(DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 21 Oct via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Cancelled transmissions of Hamburger Lokalradio in German:
0900-1000 5980 KLL 020 kW / non-dir WeEu confirmed, from Oct.15
(DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 21 Oct via DXLD)

Altho it was absent Oct 16, Thomas Voelkner tells me this broadcast
has NOT been canceled; so was it still absent Oct 17, 18, 19, 20, 21?
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Hello Glenn, Hamburger Lokalradio is still on 5980 kHz via Kall. The
contract runs until the end of the summer broadcasting period, in
other words: until Saturday of this week, October 27th 2012.

However, HLR will discontinue this service via Kall on Sunday, October
28th. I cannot say why our colleague Ivo Ivanov claims the service
went off on October 15.

From October 28th, 2012, HLR continues via Goehren on 7265 kHz,
Saturdays and Wednesdays from 0500 to 1700 UT. World of Radio will
keep its two slots Saturdays at 0630 and 1630 UT. According to local
times in Europe, listeners will have to tune in one hour earlier than
in the summer season.

Michael Kittner in Hamburg points out, there will be more information
regarding the schedule and possibly a new frequency in November. Best,
(Thomas V^olkner, Germany, Oct 22, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Radio 6150 start date, which was showing as October 21,
has been postponed. They say they had problems with the power
amplifier which didn't fit or cope with the new exciter. Also the
mains-adaptor caused problems. They also say that "postponed doesn't
mean giving up". They will give a new date as soon as they know that
all works well after having done the necessary tests.

Full post in German on their website

<http://www.radio-6150.de/deutsch/>

(Alexander Landsberg-Velen, Garry Stevens Pirate/Free Radio Board,
October 18 via Mike Barracclough, Oct 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

Dear friends of free shortwave radio, we have some bad news. Our output amp was again returned to the manufacturer, and is adjusted to the control transmitter, which has arrived meanwhile. Up to now, we have no appointed date when the transmitter and amp will be returned. Our plans remain the same, but the launch date of the new station cannot be kept. Also, we will not define a new launch date before transmitter and amp have passed some tests with maximum power. Sorry, but postponed is not cancelled. Presently we are on air with the old control transmitter 75 watts (R. 6150 via DX Re Mix News)

The new station will be Radio 6150 or maybe Radio 48 International; see HFCC 0000-2400 on 6070 ROB 025 kW / non-dir to WeEu (DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 21 Oct via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** GERMANY. On 6085.019 in Radio 700 program a lady singing of the "Land of Imagination", internet they declared as Elke Best performer ... wandered down now 6085 kHz exact even at 0625 UT Oct 20 (Wolfgang B, schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 22 Oct via DXLD)

** GERMANY. 15670, Oct 20 at 1421, good signal in Asian language, but heavy short/long path echo. HFCC says 500 kW, 95 degrees from Nauen with YFR in Hindi at 14-16.

15570, Oct 20 at 1422, another S Asian language with same short/long path echo. This too is Nauen, 500 kW at 90 degrees with YFR Oriya at 14-15 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. This morning Oct. 18 on 11645:
0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg to NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek
0500-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg to NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0600-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg to NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9420, Oct 21 at 0442, good signal from VOG Orthodox music show, two or three male cantors interweaving, great stuff they provide on UT Sundays, and still going when I rouse momentarily at 0624 to turn off the radio. Without the baggage of belief or understanding much Greek, I can enjoy it pro-arte (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. Observations of Radio Filia Oct. 13-21:

Oct. 13:
0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek
0500-0532 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0532-0545 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia German

0545-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Russian
0600-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek

Oct. 14:

0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek
0500-0530 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0530-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Spanish
0600-0628 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia German
0628-0643 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Russian
0643-0700 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Polish
0700-0730 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Bulgarian
0730-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Serbian

Oct. 15:

0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Local NET FM in Greek
0500-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Classical music in Greek
0600-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek

Oct. 16:

0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Local NET FM in Greek
0500-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0600-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek

Oct. 17:

0400-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek

Oct. 18/19:

0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek
0500-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0600-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek

Oct. 20 SURPRISE: Radio Filia is // other 2 frequencies 9420 & 15630!

0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek
0500-0527 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0527-0542 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia German
0542-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Russian
0600-0616 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Polish
0616-0632 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Bulgarian
0632-0646 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Serbian
0646-0700 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Arabic
0700-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Voice of Greece Greek

Oct. 21:

0400-0500 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Local NET FM in Greek
0500-0532 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Albanian
0532-0600 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Spanish
0600-0631 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia German
0631-0645 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Russian

0645-0701 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Polish
0701-0730 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Bulgarian
0730-0800 11645 AVL 100 kW 182 deg NoAf/N&ME Radio Filia Serbian
Programs in different languages are 5-7 minutes, during the rest of
the time - music (DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 21 Oct via DXLD)

** GREECE. 29805, R S Makedonias, 3 x 9935, 1530. Band better than
I've seen it in a long time (Tim Bucknall, Congleton UK, RDR54D1 + CLP
513, Oct 21, harmonics yg via DXLD)

ERA-3 & ERA-5 on Oct. 22. Silence on all 3 frequencies 1200-1350: ERA-
3 Radiophonikos Stathmos Makedonias in Greek:
from 1350 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu/NoAm, not from 1200

ERA-5 Voice of Greece in Greek:
from 1350 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu/NoAm, not from 1200
from 1350 NF 15630 AVL 100 kW / 105 deg to SoAs/AUS, not from 1200 on
15650. 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Oct 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUADELOUPE. 640, R. Guadeloupe, Pointe-à-Pitre, OCT 15 0258 - Fair,
under CBN, with female talk in continental French, a short choral
music number across the top of the hour, and then male news announcer
with first story about Felix Baumgartner's balloon jump. More dominant
an hour later, with male announcer reading weather for various
locations in France leading up to the news (Brent Taylor, VY2HF,
Stratford PE; RFSpace SDR-IQ, Icom R-75, 16 x 60 corner-fed loop,
International DX Digest, NRC DX News Oct 19 via DXLD)

** GUAM. Adventist World Radio in English on 15360 at 1607 20/10. Male
announcer conducting a phone interview. Audio seemed to have a
problem. Sounded like tin cans banging behind the announcer when
modulating (Alex Klauber, Tecsun PL-660, MFJ 1045C preselector,
Sangaen ATS 909, 200 foot longwire antenna. My location is not far
from Syracuse, NY, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. 4055, TGAV, Radio Verdad (presumed); 0351-0410+, 14-Oct;
Spanish religious program at tune-in; right into another at 0359+.
Several seconds dead air at 0406+, then into banjo music! 0408+ back
to religious music. SIO=353- (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake
R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my
receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4054.98, R. Verdad, Chiquimula, 16/10 1010-1025, 33333, m'sica
religiosa, programa ``El Hermano Pabloî, programaciÛn en espa0ol e
inglÈs para Centro AmÈrica (Pedro F. Arrun-tegui, Lima, Per`, la
recepciÛn la he efectuado del 22/09 al 20/10 en compa0ia de mi sabueso
Icom IC R72 acompa0ado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm
Track, una antena de hilo largo de 20 metros y una antena loop, Muchos

128¥s, Chasqui DX via DXLD)

Note: all his frequency measurements in this and other countries, MW and SW are on the low side or right on, never on the hi side. This is very improbable, so suspect his precision is a bit off (gh, DXLD)

** GUIANA FRENCH. 11995, Oct 18 at 0457, open carrier with some hum, as TDF continues to burn megawatts for nothing, some 2 hours after finishing the RTI Spanish relay on this frequency.

11995, Oct 19 at 0458, poor open carrier with hum, as the MontsinÉry mixup continues. Wonder what this wastage has cost them so far, after many weeks?

11995, Oct 20 at 0538, still open carrier with hum.

11995, Oct 21 at 0433 open carrier with hum, still from TDF MontsinÉry, burning megawatts for nothing. I know my reports on this are somewhat repetitive, but this is a major anomaly which should not be happening, and indicative of a certain incompetence at one of the world's remaining major relay stations. When they stop doing this, I'll stop reporting it.

11995, Oct 22 at 0519, ho hum, MontsinÉry is still gone wild with unnecessary carrier.

11995, Oct 23 at 0513 at first thought the open carrier was off, but soon faded back up to very poor level, with usual hum.

11995, Oct 24 at 0514, no signal from the usual hummy open carrier, so have TDF finally come to their senses? It's missed some nights previously, only to show up again after RTI Spanish relay finishes at 0300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HAWAII. 6679/USB, KVM70, Honolulu Radio, volmet; 0434-0440+, 14-Oct; Extensive Honolulu weather; ID at 0440 This is Honolulu Radio. Poor-Fair in QRN (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. AIR Kohima on 4850 on October 21 from 1345 to 1417*; in Hindi and English; news in both languages; advertisements; pop songs (Celine Dion with "The Power of Love", etc.); many IDs in English; running past their normal 1400*; poorer reception than the last time I heard them on Oct 5 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, California, USA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL, antenna, dx_india yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** INDIA. AIR Aizawl on 5050 so strong now as to cause serious QRM for BBR/China; noted 1248 and 1454. Are they ever going to play subcontinent music again? Am only hearing easy listening music. Oct 18 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, California, USA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dx_india yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** INDIA. 13640, Oct 21 at 1938, ME music, fair signal and much better than Kuwait 13650; this is AIR Arabic service at 1715-1945, 500 kW, 300 degrees from Bengaluru.

13695, Oct 21 at 1939, Indian classical M&W duet vocal music, good with flutter, almost as good on // 11670, as AIR is making it well, trans-polar from the middle of their night. 13695 is not on the non-updated HFCC schedule at this hour, but 11670 is 500 kW, 320 degrees from Bengaluru. Aoki has 13695 as AIR GOS in English, 1745-1945, 500 kW, 280 degrees from Bengaluru, same for 11670 except 325 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Can anyone confirm All India Radio on 15045 from 1230-1315?? If so, what site is it?? Been hearing it the last few days but can't confirm other than the fact the music they play sounds like more popular Indian style. Thanks. 73 (Dave Valko, Oct 21, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Hi Dave, 15045, Oct 21 at 1254, weak open carrier, still detectable with BFO once AIR 15045-15050-15055 DRM blasts on at 1300 sharp, the Sinhala service to its one possibly DRM-equipped listener in Sri Lanka. Sometimes the DRM is on much earlier, unmodulated?

Maybe it's Grenada about to reactivate -- ha2.

15045 shouldn't be AIR since another transmitter is still on 15045-15050-15055, but you never know. More likely it's AIR Burmese service which is scheduled on 15040 at 1215-1315, but nothing noted there.

If we hear any modulation on 15045, should check listed // 11710 (probably blocked) and 11620 for the AIR Burmese service. A pirate might also be responsible. 73, (Glenn Hauser, OK, to Dave Valko via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15045, Oct 22 at 1258, weak AM signal just barely modulated, probably AIR Burmese service ex-listed 15040 from Delhi/Khampur site, until blasted away by *1300 DRM centered on 15050, which is also Delhi/Khampur! Could Jose Jacob or other S Asian monitors confirm this scenario? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, 15045 is in the clear before 1300 of course. I can hear what

sounds like more modern subcontinental music. But the audio just doesn't have enough push to determine the language or any other clues. Will have to check for // 's tomorrow. 73 (Dave Valko, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Dave, I checked it and also heard a station at 1245 on that fq while 15040 kHz was empty. So AIR Delhi has either moved or it is a frequency selection error. 73 (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Oct 22, cumbre dx via dx_india yg via DXLD)

AIR is noted on 15045 instead of 15040 at 1215-1315 in Burmese parallel to 11620, 11710 (Jose Jacob, Camp: Bangalore, Oct 24, dx_india yg via DXLD)

**** INDIA. AIR SPECIAL SERVICE FOR HAJ PILIGRMS COMMENCED**

AIR's Special Urdu Service to Saudi Arabia for Haj Piligrims

Service Time(UTC)	Frequency (kHz.)
	Freq.1 Freq.2 Freq.3
0530-0600	15210 15770 17845

<http://allindiaradio.gov.in/NR/rdonlyres/F437D872-AEFB-460C-AA81-8D5C440F8F4B/365241/AIRFrequencyScheduleNorthEastAsia1.htm>

Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, Camp: Bengaluru, Mobile: +91 94416 96043, <http://www.qsl.net/vu2jos> Oct 22, dx_india via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

Thanks dear Jose, INDIA Haj Pilgrims AIR Urdu service also heard here in Germany this morning. 15209.982 odd frequency coming from Goa Panaji site, S=7 fair level, also via Bangalore site strongest on 15770 kHz around S=9+5dB, accompanied by a feeder BUZZ signal, the audio from Bangalore was NOT CLEAN.

And third service from Delhi Khampur site on 17845 kHz, latter which was heavily hit by US Radio Farda in Persian from Iranawila Sri Lanka relay on next door 17840 kHz (Wolfgang B_schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 23, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

**** INDIA. 24050, AIR, 2 x 12025, 1657 (Tim Bucknall, Congleton UK, RDR54D1 + CLP 513, Oct 21, harmonics yg via DXLD)**

**** INDONESIA. 3325, Oct 23 at 1242, some continuous talk modulation is audible vs the noise level; no carriers at all on other PNG 90m frequencies, so it appears to be an Indonesian-morning rather than a PNG-morning, i.e. tentatively RRI Palangkaraya. Altho some of the PNGs probably signed off earlier. I keep listening, as the sun rises here,**

straining to make out a keyword to clinch it as Indonesian, but all I can get is a possible ``berita`` at 1300, tho I must admit I was expecting it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4749.96, RRI Makassar, Sulawesi, heard 10/18 and 10/20 during 1220 ñ 1258 period. OM announcer in Indonesian hosting program of Indo pop orchestrals and vocal selections; lady announcer took over near the TOH. Getting late for 60 meters, but by 1235 one of the best signals on the band (> 4835 Alice Springs, 4940 China, etc.) though only moderate QSA at best. Holding up to nearly 1300 amid ever-increasing noise level as day breaks here in Chicagoland. Lady announcer at 1258. Can't copy announcements yet, but definitely Indonesian. No ID but tnx to Ron Howard for his on this precise frequency.

Since seemed a decent opening both mornings, tried for RRI Wamena, which also might show up on 60 meters, but istesiun tidak ada! Very sad state of affairs, with only a couple of Indo tropical band stations still active on shortwave; a far cry from the hundreds which were on the air back in 1979, when I was a young man motorbiking around Indonesia to visit RPKD stations on Java, Sumatra and Bali! (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100 Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 + Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands), 355-foot bidirectional BOG positioned 150 deg / 330 deg for LA / SE Asia, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

4749.96, RRI Makassar, 1305, Oct 23. Start of another Tuesday with the iKang Guru Indonesia! program; no Kevin this week, so he must have been traveling on KGI business, as he often is; played more pop songs than usual (as filler?); poor with QRM from 2 or 3 stations here till tune out at 1325 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. Observed till October 14: nothing on 9526. Last times when was heard here: on 12 July 2012 in English from 1302, then long break and again 6 September from 1602 in Arabic with strong carrier but with weak audio (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Does he mean from 6 October? (gh, DXLD)

9526-, Oct 18 at 1303, VOI carrier is on again, maybe just barely modulated, weaker than the flutter fading, supposedly English. I don't detect any of the usual jingles. Same at 1315. It's a little further below 9526 than previously, as I can tell by stepping 1 kHz above and below on the YB-400 with BFO. Wolfgang B_schel measured it on 9525.891 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Both Cimanggis shortwave outlets on air Oct 14 at 1045 UT. 9525.891

and 9680.050 kHz, the usual recent footprints. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I think he meant Oct 17 when this was posted (gh, DXLD)

50-60 Hz buzz on 9525.91, Oct 20, 2012. A bit distorted but strong audio. 73, (Matti Ponkamo, Naantali, Finland, HCDX via DXLD)

9526-, Oct 19 at 1323, VOI carrier attains S9+20 with flutter, but just barely modulated; can't even tell if it is really English as scheduled. It's really pointless to run the transmitter at all if you can't modulate it. What VOI needs is a TH555 modulator tube for their B6131 Marconi transmitter; does anyone have a spare or rebuilt one to part with?

9526-, Oct 20 at 1211, VOI remains on the air but unlistenable with just-barely-modulation if any. Still on at 1359 with het upon CRI Russian 9525.0 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

20/10, 9525.95! RRI, 1608 with OM praying, 1609 with announcements in Arabic. Very low modulation (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9526-, Oct 21 at 1312, VOI carrier now is barely modulated, instead of not, or just-barely modulated, such that I can recognize the YL announcer in English, but not copy what she is saying, still much softer than the sounds of propagational fading. So perhaps the modulation percentage level has risen from single- to double-digits.

9526-, Oct 22 at 1308, VOI is barely modulated with YL news in English, insufficient. 9680, Oct 22 at 1322, RRI seemed to be missing; see CHINA.

9526-, Oct 23 at 1303, VOI English has the best modulation level yet since its reactivation, but is still woefully low, not enough to overcome flutter fading noise. Some hum, but no IADs: at least that's one problem apparently fixed in the meantime. I also have to avoid splash from 9520, and put FRG-7 in ATTenuation mode because of overload from 9479 WTWW and even 9980 WWCR.

Plugs website, then news, starting with story about a homemade bomb. 1305 over to the Kalimantan guy, so they are still doing ``Exotic Indonesia`` joint programs on Tuesdays with RRI Banjarmasin. Haven't been able to hear that for many months! At 1308, continues to hand back and forth between two OM voices in Jak and Banj. 1317 Jak YL announcer is more readable by the pitch of her voice, but only briefly, previewing `Today in History` segment. 1320 really mentions ``Exotic Indonesia`` and T.I.H. 1329 starts another segment with music

and it keeps playing in background for next deka-minute, further impeding readability. Recheck in time to hear the 9525.0 CRI Russian prelude cut on at 1357 producing big hit (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9526-, Oct 24 at 1323, VOI in English, just barely modulated, vs flutter-fading noise. 9680 RRI seems to be off, Firedrake atop vs Taiwan (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA [non]. Martedì 23 ottobre 2012: Stavolta confermo che È sempre in onda: 1700 - 3955 kHz, STIMME INDONESIENS - Kall Krekel (Germania), German, IDs YL "Radio Republik Indonesia Jakarta". Segnale buono-insufficiente. Non so se da domenica 28 ottobre sarà, in caso di prosecuzione del servizio, dalle 1800. 60 metri sempre alla soglia dell'udibilità, tranne Jaipur. Boh? (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, bclnews yg via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. I could not drag myself out of bed before dawn Oct 21 to witness the Orionid meteor shower peak in the angstrom-band, but before 1230 UT I looked for an open FM frequency for some possible meteor scatter DX --- guess what: on the DX-398 there is not a single open frequency --- either CCI or ACI on every one of them. Of course, a more selective receiver and a directional antenna might have found a few. On TV channel 2 monitored during the daytimes or evenings, I have seen hardly any bursts, no more during the shower peak dates than previously at random(?) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. CNN, via Suddenlink Cable here, Oct 21 at 1730 UT, interrupts 'Fareed Zakaria GPS' midway for ''breaking news'' about the spa shootings in Wisconsin. This is the second week in a row that this has happened to the 17 UT repeat of FZGPS, and it has also happened several times before.

Come on! This is a quality program with important insights, but blast it away at the drop of a handgun! What do we gain by pre-empting for sketchy information at least half an hour earlier than necessary?? It's inconvenient for me to catch or even record the original GPS airing at 14-15 UT vs other Sunday morning pubaffs shows, but it seems I will have to start doing that. Would mad gunmen PLEASE time your Sunday slaughters a little bit later in the day? Actually it happened a sesquihour earlier, but was not ''breaking'' in CNN terms until now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. SES AND EUTELSAT GO TO WAR OVER UK FREQUENCY RIGHTS --- Radio Watch October 19, 2012
<http://sw-radio.blogspot.co.uk/2012/10/ses-and-eutelsat-go-to-war-over-uk.html?spref=fb>

Two of the world's top three providers of satellite capacity are locked in battle over rights to 500 MHz of transmission spectrum for the lucrative UK DTH market served by BSkyB and also Freeview. The dispute, which has been simmering several years, was brought back to the boil by SES launching a new satellite, Astra 2F, into orbit in September, and stating that it intends taking over 500 MHz of spectrum currently used by Eutelsat. Its intention is to do this from October 2013, at 28.2 degrees East, which is a prime slot covering the UK and Ireland, beaming highly popular channels from the BBC, ITV and Channel 4. In total, the spectrum under dispute equates to 15 transponders capable of carrying 140 to 180 HD channels.

SES argues that there is no dispute because it had negotiated the rights to the claimed spectrum back in 2005, and that Eutelsat had been operating over those frequencies only on a temporary basis. The rights had been owned by Deutsche Telekom until 2005, with an agreement before then for Eutelsat to use the spectrum. But in 2005, Deutsche Telekom appeared to hand the rights over to German satellite services company Media Broadcast, which in turn signed a deal for those rights with SES. Having launched Astra 2F in the right position, SES now wants to invoke those rights that it believes it owns.

Meanwhile, Media Broadcast had been leasing capacity itself from Eutelsat, but according to some reports, ended that arrangement last year. For its part, Eutelsat is arguing that its own agreement with Deutsche Telekom had no time limit, and was still in force. The dispute therefore appears to hinge on whether SES actually did have full rights to the spectrum after its deal with Media Broadcast, if Eutelsat had a pre-existing contract for them dating back to 1999 that had never been annulled.

Eutelsat has now requested the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) in Paris to rule on whether Media Broadcast and Deutsche Telekom did have the right to snatch away the spectrum from Eutelsat. The ICC is an international business body that does arbitrate in disputes between major enterprises, although it is not totally clear whether its decision is absolutely binding across the world of satellite operations.

SES is the world's second-largest telecommunications satellite operator by revenue after Intelsat, both based in Luxembourg, and operates a fleet of 50 geostationary satellites able to reach 99 percent of the world's population. France-based Eutelsat is the world's third largest satellite provider, covering the whole of Europe, as well as the Middle East, Africa, India and significant parts of Asia and the Americas. (Source : Broadcast Engineering via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. Statement regarding interference to BBC World News and World Service transmissions --- Last updated: 18.10.2012 at 11.01 --- Category: World Service; BBC World News

The following statement has been issued by the BBC.

The BBC, together with a number of other broadcasters, is experiencing deliberate, intermittent interference to its transmissions to audiences in Europe and the Middle East. Impacted services include the BBC World News and BBC Arabic television channels and BBC World Service radio services in English and Arabic.

Deliberate interference such as the jamming of transmissions is a blatant violation of international regulations concerning the use of satellites and we strongly condemn any practice designed to disrupt audiences' free access to news and information (BBC Press Office 18 Oct via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

How vague; how about some explicit accusations? (gh, DXLD)

[continued from SYRIA] It so happens that the programming from Syria is transmitted by Jordan Media City in a multiplex that contains also Press TV, as reconfirmed this morning. So Press TV [IRAN] is not off Hotbird, contrary to what could be gathered from the flurry collected at <http://kimelli.nfshost.com/index.php?id=13820>

Also still up is a SCPC signal of Press TV on Eutelsat 7A, so there still appears to be a direct uplink from Teheran to an Eutelsat-owned satellite. Only the complete transponder so far used by IRIB has indeed been turned off on Monday. IRIB put the programming in question on Intelsat 20 instead, as already reflected, as an example, at <http://german.irib.ir/startseite/frequenzen> (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BBC AND OTHERS REPORT JAMMING BY SYRIA

Aljazeera.com reports on the Syria Blog that AFP reports that the BBC and European Satellite operators are being jammed by Syria. The report is as follows:

This latest wire from the AFP news agency:

The BBC said Thursday its services in the Middle East and Europe were being deliberately jammed, along with those of other broadcasters - with the interference coming from Syria.

The jamming of Eutelsat satellites affected BBC television and radio services in English and Arabic, the British Broadcasting Corporation said.

The French-based satellite provider Eutelsat said the interference was coming from Syria.

A BBC spokeswoman said:

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A spokeswoman for Eutelsat told AFP: "The deliberate and intermittent interference that began earlier this week is coming from Syria."

Eutelsat is one of the world's largest satellite operators, broadcasting more than 4,250 television channels to more than 200 million cable and satellite homes in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

A series of attempts to jam BBC services in recent years have been traced to Iran. Eutelsat turned off Iranian state television channels on Monday, a move based on reinforced European Union sanctions (via Richard Lewis, Forest MS, Oct 19, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. SYRIA OFF EUTELSAT; IRAN OFF INTELSAT

Big morning for satellite news! Eutelsat has taken Syrian TV and radio off Hot Bird (exactly a week after they took Iran off). This affects the three radio services that were on Hot Bird: the General Programme, Voice of the People and Voice of Youth. Note: The Radio Damascus external service was carried on Hot Bird as part of the Voice of People stream.

And, Intelsat has taken action against Iranian transmissions (Chris Greenway, England, Oct 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

There is a rather significant difference between the cases of Iran and Syria: In the first one the satellite operators shut down the transponders so far used by IRIB. In the case of Syria it was the

uplink provider, Jordan Media City, who removed the programs from its multiplex.

This is significant because the very mux from which SRT has been kicked still contains Press TV, which thus is still on Hotbird, contrary to an apparently widespread impression. Of course this could change in any moment as well.

It is also interesting what those affected by the uplink jamming did, besides screaming out their utter condemnations (sorry, but such hollow PR rituals only make me smile): The Deutsche Welle channels, the few still remaining on Hotbird since last years massacre, have on Saturday also been added to an otherwise little used Media Broadcast mux on Astra 3B, cf. <http://de.kingofsat.net/tp.php?tp=5377> This is not a new approach, it had been done already during the last round of jamming.

IBB appears to have been removed VOA PNN from its Hotbird 13B mux, at least Kingofsat lists under SID 225 / VPID 1660 now only a test card. They still list Radio Farda, with an accompanying slide under VPID 1530, apparently meant to make Radio Farda locatable in what is for consumers otherwise an obscure pile of channels, with many of them being dual-mono. But it would not hurt to check this out rather than only quoting lists (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. Satellite jamming: see INTERNATIONAL VACUUM above

** IRAN. 11920.0 - Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Tehran-Kamalabad; English iVoice of Justice program for North America; 0327 light music to English ID by man 0329, followed by Quíran recitation in Arabic; English news read by a woman 0332; S9 + 30 db; listed // 13650 kHz not heard, 10/17 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13750, Oct 22 at 0519, fair in Russian, so must be IRIB as scheduled, 500 kW, 321 degrees from Kamalabad so also USward. Then strumusic.

13785, Oct 24 at 1330, IRIB news theme and Arabic, fair. Thus starts the final hour of the nine-hour broadcast southward from Kamalabad (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRELAND. Re: Analogue television disappears from UK airwaves

On a side note, analogue TV is also disappearing from the Republic of Ireland today - the big switchover to digital will be at 10.00 a.m. local time (0900 UT). (David Kernick, UK, Oct 24, dxldyg via DXLD)

IRISH BROADCASTING DEVELOPMENTS

1. The digital switchover for Irish TV transmitters has been completed (today)

2. Communications minister, Pat Rabbitte, speaking on RTE Radio 1, confirmed that Irish TV services are now more widely available in Northern Ireland, reaching potentially 94% of the population. Freed spectrum will be used for 4G mobile services after auctions are completed. The minister responded to criticism that the digital bundle does not include local or community TV by suggesting there was space for such services if the regulator received appropriate proposals.

(DL comment: the expansion of NI coverage will please Irish nationalists in the North who have sought this extension for some time. RTE analog transmitters had a power limit to avoid interference with BBC1 and Ulster Television signals. But digital technology helps reduce those interference risks)

3. Newspapers and commercial media with some public service content are lobbying for a more broadly shared public service media charge or tax to replace the licence fee that currently goes mostly to RTE.

4. RTE has made a series of announcements about increased coverage of news and politics, some of which are motivated by the arrival of new technologies and distribution platforms

<http://www.rte.ie/news/2012/1024/rte-announces-changes-to-news-output.html>
(Derek Lynch, Ireland, Oct 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. 6885.0 ñ Galei Tzahal/Israel Defense Forces Radio, Lod; 0240-0257 light music of a rather romantic nature with brief announcements by a male announcer; then a bugle followed by more martial music of the marching band sort and what may have been an ID because it included a list of mostly FM frequencies; fair-good level, 10/18 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. What is going on? 10000 at 1003, not WWV but station broadcasting music prior to minute, some digital information, then back to music including some Vivaldi. Heard on University of Twente websdr. Is this that Italian "pirate" TS? (Robin VK7RH, Harwood, Norwood, Tasmania 7250, Oct 23, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, it is - but using "mainly" USB. More or less a regular here, and would prefer it without music. Tune to LSB and you should hear the others when propagating (Noel R. Green (NW England), *ibid.*)

Yes, is always 3-4 Hertz down 10 MHz, no Standard frequency station.

But we use RMW Moscow on 9996 kHz instead, to align Perseus receiver.

Shame on these TS hobby replica. The Italian pirate used never on accurate frequency. We are ashamed of this service; in the newsgroups you read many angry comments about this pirate station matter. 73 wolffy (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, ibid.)

** JAPAN [non]. 6110, Oct 23 at 0521, NHK English via CANADA is still a bigsig for a few more nights, and at this time announcing some frequency changes effective Oct 28, without giving any sites, but I insert the old ones, presumably the same:

05 to S Africa,	11970 to 9770	[France]
10 & 12 to SE Asia,	9695 to 11740	[Singapore]
13 to SW Asia	15735 to 11730	[Uzbekistan]
14 to SE Asia	11705 to 11925	[Palau]
14 to SW Asia	15735 to 11695	[Uzbekistan]

But this announcement is incomplete! Notably the very frequency we are listening to, which as I have publicized several times will be moving from Sackville 6110 to Guiana French 11740 at 0500. And 1200 from Sackville 6120 to Guiana French 15190 and/or 6120. Surely 6120 is not going to work or really be used over that path. I suppose at other breaks they will give the rest of the frequency changes.

At 0522 on to 'Once Upon a Time in Japan', folk tales, this week, 'Click-Clack Mountain' (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN [non]. Japan Shortwave Club (JSWC) will transmit the special 60th anniversary program on November 3 with the following schedule.

To Japan in Japanese	1030-1100 UT	9955 Palau	100 kW
To Europe in English	1700-1730 UT	6015 Issoudun	250 kW 33 degrees
North America English	2330-2400 UT	15775	250 kW Montsinery 311 degrees

Special QSL will be issued. For S-mail QSL send reception reports to; JSWC, P. O. Box 44, Kamakura, 248-8691 Japan. IRC is required. For eQSL send to jswcqs1 @ live.jp (Takahito Akabayashi, Japan, Oct 22, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Those appear to be specially booked one-time-only transmissions, no connexion with NHK (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KALININGRAD. Mauno found the following inband mixing product on John Faulkner's Perseus file of 1600 19/10/12: 1287 kHz, R Rossii, Kaliningrad 1143 + 1215. Ant was 400m Asian beverage, location was The Wash, Lincolnshire (Tim Bucknall, harmonics yg via DXLD)

** KASHMIR. 4660.00, 1615-1630:35*, INDIA, 16.10 AIR Leh (presumed), vernacular talk and conversation, occasional utility QRM, ex 4760, 14211 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. 2350 kHz, 21/10 0051, KRE, KCBS, Pyongyang, Coreano, Talk, YL Com Curtos Trechos de M'sicas, Sinal Fraco, 24422 (QRA: jlex Robert (PR7006SWL), QTH: Duas Estradas-Paraiba, BRASIL, DXCB: 255, RX: Degen DE 1103, ANT: Vertical 5 mts, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

I don't think so. Sunrise in Pyongyang was at 2155 UT, three hours earlier (gh, DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. Quick check on the North Korean frequencies of KCBS and PBS via remote Perseus unit in Nara, Japan:

KCBS, 21 Oct 2012, 1535 UTC, characteristic music

2350 nil
2850 55555
3220 35322
3350 nil
3920 nil
3959 35322
3977 55442 horrible audio, very broad footprint, almost like 6003 jammer
6100 55444
9665 25222
11680 weak carrier
819 53333
999 32432
1080 53443 (jammer)

PBS, 21 Oct 2012, 1543 UTC, different music

3250 55444
3320 45433
6250 43433 (strong utility-type QRM)
6400 55555
621 32442
657 54333
801 55444
855 44343. 73,
(Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig / Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Eike, the strong utility QRM on 6250 is there all the time and is known as the Japanese Slot Machine, operated Japanese Self-Defense Forces (Navy). PBS on 6250 is better on LSB (Robin VK7RH Harwood, Norwood, Tasmania 7250, ibid.)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 5910, 19/10 2030, Japan, R Shiokaze, Yamata, English YL com forte sotaque japonês, anúncios da ID com várias repetições, chamadas rápidas com sons tipo vinheta por quase 10 minutos; depois algumas news 5 minutos de ID e /Off às 2100 UT, SINPO 35322 (Renato Uliana, DEGEN DE1103 + RGP3-OC, INDAIATUBA - SPp radioescutas yg via DXLD) He's far enough south/east to hear a morning broadcast from East Asia on 50 m (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH. 6760, Oct 20 at 1200, fair signal with K-pop, no jamming, but OTH radar from China(?) on the hi side is edging in on it; 1202.5 announcement in presumed Korean from clandestine to the north, MND Radio. The 1200-1240 broadcast is on 6760 and 4925 per this schedule more than a month ago which also identifies the opening and closing music of each transmission: (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

``New sked of MND Radio S. Korea --- MND Radio in Korean

1* 0400v-0445v 4925, 6760
2* 0500v-0540v 5150, 6480
5* 0600v-0635v 4740, 6700
4* 0700v-0735v 5290, 6360
2* 1000v-1040v 5150, 6480
3* 1100v-1150v 4740, 6700
1* 1200v-1240v 4925, 6760

*	version	Opening music	Closing music
1	male	Come	For Love
2	male	Whistle	Our Wish
3	male	Peace	Our Wish
4	female	Genuine	I miss you
5	female	Peace	Our Wish

- de Hiroshi (S. Hasegawa, Japan, Sept 11, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1634, DX LISTENING DIGEST 12-37)``

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. 6045, Oct 23 at 0613, KBS in Spanish with the usual ``clacking`` accompanying all their program feeds to CANADA. Another transmission going away in a few days with the demise of Sackville, and nothing known to replace it. KBS has not registered anything at all with HFCC for B-12. And checked Oct 23, still has nothing on own website about B-12, just A-12 schedules (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN. 4864.97. 0300-0310. CLANDESTINE, 18.10, Voice of Iranian Kurdistan, Salah Al-Din, Iraq. Kurdish talk, 43443, Jammed and CODAR QRM // 3960.04 (weak with jamming and QRM from 3955 R 700, Germany, 22322) (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** KURDISTAN [non]. 11510, Oct 18 at 0548, presumed Kurdish, fair with flutter (while Turkey, overlapping Kurdistan had a good signal on 11980). 11510 from Denge Kurdistanya, as Ivo Ivanov spells it, and who has uncovered what has really been going on with this service: ex-Denge Mezopotamya, broker TDP, now called BRB, which had been via Luch, UKRAINE site on 11530, but that site suddenly closed down at the end of August, leaving D.M. and several other clients in the lu[r]ch.

He says there were no broadcasts Sept 1-5 on 11530, but Sept 5-13 under renamed D.K. they tested the Sofia, BULGARIA site on 11510 at 03-19, as he could tell from their powerful local signal. On Sept 12, D.K. was on two frequencies at once, 11510 at 03-19 from Sofia, and back on 11530 at 03-15, which was from Bijeljina, Bosnia-Herzegovina! I.e. International Radio Serbia's site which until then had never relayed anything else. Those are the lengthy off-hours when the 250 kW transmitter is unneeded for own broadcasts. That has a weak signal in Sofia, due to distance and/or skipping over. As of October 16, Ivo says that since Sept 14 the D.K. operation has been:

03-15 on 11510 via Bijeljina, then 15-19 also 11510 but via Sofia.

Therefore I wanted to see if I could catch the handover at 1500, Oct 18: First checked 11510 at 1401 to find presumed Kurdish music and announcement, poor signal. At 1457 retune, only a weak carrier; with BFO I listened for a break or change in the signal, but heard none. Of course, it might already have happened a few minutes before 1500. At 1500 it did come in slightly stronger, with a timesignal about 15 seconds late, continued with talk, very poor signal.

11510, Oct 22 at 1458-1501 another try to detect any site change for V. of Kurdistan, from Bijeljina to Bulgaria, as Ivo Ivanov reports: no break in transmission audible, nor precise frequency shift, but very weak signal seems to surge slightly at 1500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Winter B-12 from Oct. 28:

0400-1600 11510 BIJ 250 kW / 130 deg WeAs Denge Kurdistan in Kurdish
1600-2000 11510 SOF 070 kW / 126 deg WeAs Denge Kurdistan in Kurdish
(DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** KUWAIT [and non]. 15515, VERY BAD QRM by each other; co-channel BBC Hausa Woofferton and R Kuwait in Arabic, mix on S=9+10dB level. 0655 UT (Wolfgang B. schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15540, Oct 21 at 1915 rock music, as R. Kuwait English is audible very poorly instead of not at all. I continue to wonder how reliable this

service is even in Europe over a totally night path now at 18-21.

15540, Radio Kuwait (presumed); 2041, 24-Oct; Mambo #5. SIO=3+53, fady (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. /USA: So there are two radio called Maranatha on SW: one on 5130 via HitSW Radio from Kyrgyzstan and another via WRNO from USA on 7506? (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WRNO's is just a program, surely unrelated to the other, and is 5130 really on the air any more? (gh, DXLD)

** LIBERIA. RADIO VERITAS CLOSED INDEFINITELY
The New Dawn, Monrovia, By T.k. Suah, 18 October 2012
<http://allafrica.com/stories/201210180539.html>

Radio Veritas, owned and operated by the Catholic Church in Liberia has been shut down indefinitely by the Archdiocese of Monrovia. Rev. Father Jerome Zeigler, head of the Archdiocese of Monrovia said a major restructure of the institution is pending, including the arrival of new equipment.

Zeigler told the station employees during an emergency conference that they would be given their severance benefit for services rendered the institution in accordance with the labor law of Liberia, but did not say when.

Sources informed this paper last night the employees would get their benefits at the end of October as the Church is consulting with the Labor Ministry on the payment, which could be in the sum of thousands of dollars. The station is reported to have some 20 full time employees plus 10 interns.

Fortnight ago, Veritas or truth, which is noted for its hard news and independence reporting on development affecting the country, was off the air with technical problem cited, but the employees were barred from entering the premises.

Veritas, formerly ELCM (Eternal Love Community) Radio started broadcast here in 1981 as the second Christian-run radio station outfit after ELWA (Eternal Love Winning in Africa) which opened its door in 1950s by the Sudan Interior Mission.

Those were the two private but church-run stations besides the state-owned Liberia Broadcasting System (LBS) until the onset of the rebellion on 24 December, 1989.

But Veritas, under past regimes has experienced difficulties. The junta shut it down many times during the destruction of its facilities in the course of the conflict.

It suffered the same fate under former President Charles Taylor when the station door was closed in 2000. Until it can resume broadcast with the same reportage of truth-telling, the station will be remembered by its numerous listeners around the country and abroad.
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

STAFF QUESTIONS DECISION TO TAKE LIBERIA'S RADIO VERITAS OFF AIR
<http://www.voanews.com/content/liberia-radio-veritas-off-the-air/1529413.html>

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Monrovia said the shutdown of the church-run Radio Veritas has nothing to do with any criticism of the government.

The Most Reverend Lewis Ziegler said the station has experienced equipment problems and the church wants to shut it down until it purchases new hardware.

He would not say, however, when the station would be back on the air since it has to find money for the new equipment.

The station has had no problem with the government. The station was not shut down. Radio Veritas had been operating on old equipment bought a few years back from the [United] States. We have spent a lot of money on them, but they keep breaking down. Last Tuesday, the station went off the air because a part had spoiled, not because the station was critical of government that it was shut down. There was [a] technical breakdown in the station, he said.

Ziegler would not say when the station would be back on the air because, he said, the church has to look for the money to buy new equipment.

At the moment, it is not the question of correcting (repairing the broken hardware). It is the question of really getting something better that will keep us going. And, because I do not have the cash, I cannot tell how long it will take me. But, the station will be opened very soon, the Archbishop said.

Butty interview with Ziegler --- Download

But, acting radio manager Ade Wede Kekuleh said the archbishop signed a news release informing the staff that the station had been acting outside the scope of its license.

iThey sent a [news] release to institutions signed by him [the Archbishop], that was on no letterhead, and that was one of the reasons he gave that the institution had been acting outside of its scope and they had come under fire for it. So, the archbishop, he really cannot say that because they did their releases. They know exactly what they wrote. Thatís why I keep saying, òI wonder when did the Catholic Church realize that we had been acting outside the scope of our license,í she said.

Kekuleh said she is worried because, as much as she knows, from the day Radio Veritas (which means truth in Latin) was established in July of 1997, the station has lived up to its name by giving credible and unbiased news.

Butty interview with Kekuleh --- Download

iAnother thing they said is that, in 1996, they [Veritas staff] stepped on toes and the radio got burnt. So, what we are concluding is that we did step on toes and that is why they have decided to shut down the station,í Kekuleh said.

She said the staff has been locked out of the station and the archbishop has promised to pay them off by the end of this month.

iWhat they are doing now is severing whatever contracts they may have had with the employees, and then if they ever start again, those who are still interested to work with the radio station will have to reapply,í Kekuleh said.

Ziegler said it was not true that the employees had been locked out of the station. Kekuleh said she and the staff believe there is more to the story than what the church is telling. But, she said her only interest is to ensure that her staff is paid off and well (via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

R. Veritas was also on SW for a while, 5470, but long gone (gh, DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. 6135.00, R Madagasikara, 1453:50, Oct 20, carrier surfaced after co-channel Sana'a had closed conveniently early. No definite audio, noted to sudden 1455:45 off. Was exactly on frequency (cf Ron Howard's report in DXLD 12-27) so no tell-tale het while Sana'a still on. Same station presumably heard already Oct 18 1501 tune-in to 1503:02 off, in the clear and with some snippets of nondescript audio. Of course this is only tentative but from monitoring Oct 2011 to Jan 2012 I'm fairly sure it must be them again. Ron, can you hear this at all? (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, TenTec RX-340, 25m. longwire dxldyg WORLD OF RADIO 1640,

Hi Martien, Yes, recently in tuning by I have found a station on exact frequency about 1430 which sounded like Radio Madagasikara, but I have been spending all my time daily monitoring Myanmar's Radio Thazin (7110), so I confess I have not stayed tuned to 6135 to confirm an ID. Will try to do so next week. Glad to see you are able to hear them in the Netherlands again, as I do agree you surely must be hearing them.

Have not heard Madagascar on 5010 or seen any recent reports of that frequency being active. Think the last reports of it there were back in July and August.

Oct 21 from 1432 to about 1458 on 6135.00, heard what sounded like live coverage of a sporting event in French. No ID, so call it tentative. The signal slowly improved, but then went downhill. Bothered the whole time with adjacent QRM. Heard at 1458; seemed to go off the air about 1459 or so; by 1500 was not there. Needs more monitoring for a positive ID (Ron Howard, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR [and non]. 15497 approx., Oct 22 at 0512, extremely distorted FMy spurblob, suspect R. Dabanga since missing from 15400, and then found to be // but slightly ahead of 11650 via VATICAN; and I didn't have to wait long for a ``Radio Dabanga`` spoken or sung ID to come thru. It seems the Talata relay, which RNW is turning over to a local enterprise, is way out of whack, and this has happened before; see DXLD 12-31 for July 26 at 0450 on 15540-15560, seemingly Madagascar despite Dabanga also being scheduled on UAE 15550. Now it's all-Africa on 19m, with 15580 VOA, 15120 VON. (I am filing this under Madagascar since it's really about the transmitter site, not the SUDAN [non] programming)

15542 approx., Oct 23 at 0505, big blob of extremely distorted FMy overmodulation, presumed the Talata transmitter missing from 15400 with Radio Dabanga, and which 24 hours earlier was doing the same circa 15497; and which on July 26 was also in the 15550 area. This time, // 11650 via Vatican too weak to establish a //, but I have little doubt my explanation is correct.

This was another all-Africa night on 19m, with VOA Botswana 15580 in well, and VON Ikorodu 15120 sufficient. By 0526, the 15542 blob was much weaker and the others had also faded down. Apparently they are clueless in Talata that something is very, very wrong with this transmitter.

15400, Oct 24 at 0515, R. Dabanga relay is back in whack with lo-fi modulation like a lo-rate internet feed but on proper frequency, and no nasty spurs on 15497 or 15542 as heard the last two nights (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 11665, Wai FM; 1055-1102+, 20-Oct; Pop-style vocals; Wai FM SID at 1056; Brief announcement at ToH into children's program, opening with children's chorus, then W in unknown language taking phone calls from children, asking them to sing. SIO=2+33- with occasional echo and general din QRM -- nothing specific; USB a bit better (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 5995, RTVM, *0557-0635, Oct 24, sign on with guitar IS. National Anthem at 0558. Flute IS at 0559 and opening French ID announcements. Vernacular talk at 0600. Into local rustic tribal music at 0601. Indigenous vocals. Strong signal strength but weak modulation

9635, RTVM, *0802-0830, Oct 24, sign on with vernacular talk. Rustic tribal music at 0821. Indigenous vocals. Fair signal strength but weak modulation. Modulation improved to a fair level by 0824 (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. UNIDENTIFIED. 540, Oct 18 at 0511 UT, unusual music catches my ears, sort of techno-rap with lyrics in English, seemingly with US political references, then mixed with Spanish by same YL singer. 0515, DJs in Spanish mention 9-11-11, maybe a text number? 0529, 9-11-11 again and back to techno-rap. At 0531 for the second time, what sounds like ``Radio Fanta`` (orange or 6 other flavors?) or rather something phonetically similar.

Loops SSW/NNE and certainly not CBK. The obvious choice would be XEWA SLP, with 150,000 vs any other 540 Mexican ranging from 100 to max 2500 night-watts, and this is probably it, despite techno-rap not really being top-40 as per its latest incarnation in the ``Los 40 Principales`` mode.

BTW, the other XEWA, 540 in Monterrey, with only 1 kW at night, is entirely separate now, ``Dominio FM 96.5`` per Cant'. Isn't it about time to grant it a unique callsign? Hoping for a definite ID at 0600 but then I get another station, q.v.

540, Oct 18 at 0600 UT another station gains over the techno-rap one, looping further SW, from Chihuahua, La Ranchera, also ID for FM, ends with -X, and then plays choral NA. Per Cant' it is:
540 XETX La Ranchera de PaquimE + FM 90.5 Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chih.
1,000 250
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 590, Oct 18 at 1202 UT, YL with full ID for La Sabrosita,

including ``el sonido de la ciudad``, i.e. per Cant':
590 XEPH Sabrosita MExico, DF 25,000 10,000
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 650, Oct 24 at 1233 UT, starting(?) 60-minute morning news called 'Altavoz' on ``Radio K``, from Sinaloa, mentioning that DST ends this Saturday night (like Europe, a week earlier than in the USA, and Mexican border areas). So it's the usual XETNT, Los Mochis (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 690, Oct 23 at 0605 UT, ``La 69, Siempre Deportiva``, and repeat of a Jacobo Zabludovsky show which originally aired 12 hours earlier at 1 pm; loops N/S, and Cant' shows:
690 XEN La 69 MExico, DF 100,000 5,000
Last summer I heard him in the afternoon on some FM DX
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 700, Oct 23 at 0544 UT, in WLW null, interview about escuelas en la Rep'blica Mexicana. If it were not for the night power of only 150 watts, I would choose R. Red as the most likely talker vs several music stations listed in Cant':
700 XEDKR Radio Red AM Guadalajara, Jal. 10,000 150
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 760, XEES, Chihuahua, Chih., OCT 6 0255 - Upbeat U.S. and Mexican music, using "Antena FM" slogan now. Full ID at about 0:03 [0303?] giving XHES-FM 102.5; "Antena FM, la m'sica que te gusta!" (Robert Vance, El Paso TX; WiNRADiO G33DDC, 12 x 9-ft terminated corner-fed north and east loops, 25-yr old Palomar Loop, International DX Digest, NRC DX News Oct 19 via DXLD)

OCT 17 0358 - Fair to poor, no sign of WJR, with jazz music, message mentioning Chihuahua twice, playing of "Himno del Estado de Chihuahua" (confirmed by listening to a version on youtube; time was 10 p.m. in Chihuahua), partly readable station ID including calls. New! (Bill Dvorak, Madison WI; Drake R8B, Double Kaz bearing 280 , International DX Digest, NRC DX News Oct 19 via DXLD)

760, UT Friday Oct 19 at 0525, Spanish sermon from the Libro de Jueces, sobre Deborah, from the SW. Don't usually hear Spanish religion here, but the #1 XE heard on 760 is Chihuahua2, and sure enough this matches the somewhat disjointed program grid at <http://www.antena760.com/programacion.php>

For Monday-Thursday[?] local CST starting in the pm:
11:00-11:30 Programaci3n Cat3lica
11:30-12:00 am Hombre Nuevo con el padre Rivas
So per Cant' this is:

760 XEES Antena + FM 102.5 Chihuahua, Chih. 10,000 1,000
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO [and non]. 770, Oct 19 at 1231 UT ``Los 40 Principales``, also mentions Grupo Ch·vez and Radio K, from SW, separable from weak KKOB, presumed night-only Santa Fe 230 watt co-channel relay. Cant': 770 XEREV Los 40 Principales + FM 104.3 Los Mochis, Sin. 5,000 100
It's obviously in the same group as XETNT 650, where we also hear Ch·vez and Radio K mentioned, shared website emphasizing FM sides: <http://www.promored.com.mx/>
Searching that website, no hits on ``Radio K``, ``Radio Ka`` or ``Radio Ca``, so am I mishearing that, or what? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 790, Oct 18 at 1201 UT, choral NA, 1204 full ID amid CCI mentions Chihuahua2, Grupo Radiorama, 99.3 FM, EstÈreo ñ algo. Cant': 790 XERPC Stereo Fiesta + FM 99.3 Chihuahua, Chih. 5,000 400
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 790, Oct 18 at 1232 UT, Grupo FÙrmula mentioned, headlines following credits to various newspapers such as Imagen de Veracruz, and also several in Europe and US; loops SW with CCI from another in Spanish. Cant' shows:
790 XENT Radio FÙrmula + FM 97.5 La Paz, B.C.S. 10,000 750
The other R. FÙrmula in Guadalajara doesn't fit (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 850, Oct 24 at 0538 UT with SAH in KOA null, 11:37 timecheck, Milenio Radio ID; 0539 full ID for XHHEM which is on 103.7, and XEM 850, Milenio Radio, Chihuahua. Almost-CST timecheck indicates local origination rather than DF relay (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 940, XEQ, Mexico City, DF ñ 10/27 ñ Weak at 1100 with strains of the Mexianthem audible in the WMAZ/WGRP jumblemix. Upfaded with inueve cuarentaî ID at 1115 then played the iWelcome To Marlboro Countryî silly cigarette ad theme (or the theme to The Magnificent Seven filmñ-take your pick). Synched up audio to their website. Webfeed appears to be about somewhere between a semi-minute & 15 sesqui-seconds behind the signal. XEQ's signal had outfaded completely by the hourbottom (Niel Wolfish, Toronto, Ont, MARE Tipsheet Oct 19 via DXLD)

Lucky Niel has contracted a good case of Hauserismitis. XEQ is really significantly off-frequency audibly hetting everything else (gh, DXLD)

** MEXICO. 990, Oct 24 at 0602 UT, choral NA loops WSW, 0603 fanfare and on to super-patriotic and militaristic ``Soy Soldado`` recitation

(which does not refer to selling soybeans); 0607 Chihuahua state anthem. Had CBW nulled at first with a fast SAH, 15 Hz or so, but it was still taking over after 0605 with 'The World' as we already hear on KOSU at 1906 UT M-F. Per Cant' this is:
990 XEER ER Estereo Romance + FM 92.9 Cd. Cuauhtémoc, Chih. 5,000 250
So not bad for 250 watts vs 50 kW CBW, XET and everything else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1010, Oct 24 at 0617 UT, nulling Spanish religion from E/W, presumably Arizona, see USA, there is sports talk in Spanish mentioning Guadalajara, Jalisco, and 0618 even ``goooooooooooooooooal``, tho surely a clip and not a live f'itbol game at this hour. Cant':
1010 XEHL TDW Guadalajara, Jal. 50,000 5,000
Probably // XEX 730, unchecked (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1030, Oct 18 at 1215 UT, string of PSAs, mostly federal including extolling the Presidencia of lame-duck Calderón, but amid them an ad or PSA mentioning Chihuahua, then Grupo Radio Net(?), and 1216 Radio Fórmula ID, so per Cant':
1030 XEYC Radio Fórmula Cd. Juárez, Chih. 5,000 5000
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1090, XEPRS, Rancho del Mar, BCN, SEP 30 1230 - Noted now with NBC Sports Radio, caught promo near the hour, "...on San Diego's sports radio, Double-X, 1090." Fair-poor but pretty much the only one left (Robert Vance, El Paso TX; WiNRADiO G33DDC, 12 x 9-ft terminated corner-fed north and east loops, 25-yr old Palomar Loop, International DX Digest, NRC DX News Oct 19 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 1130, XETOL Toluca (Ixtlahuaca), Edo. Méx. SEP 30 0150 - Heard with banda music and "La Comadre" slogans. Canned ID just after the hour with call letters, location as Toluca, 10,000 wats de potencia, part of Grupo ACIR. Fair but dominant for awhile (Robert Vance, El Paso TX; WiNRADiO G33DDC, 12 x 9-ft terminated corner-fed north and east loops, 25-yr old Palomar Loop, International DX Digest, NRC DX News Oct 19 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 1170, Oct 22 at 1241 UT, Spanish mentions Chihuahua, and then a song about it, but not the state anthem. In KFAQ Tulsa null, where often at night I can hear Mexican music, but never IDed which of the nine stations listed (two of which are allegedly daytimers). Trouble is, there are none in Chihuahua. At sunrise here I would pick the mostly likely pair from Cant' as:
1170 XEMDA La Ley Monclova, Coah. 1,000 500
1170 XERT Ke buena Reynosa, Tamps. 5,000 D
Another clue: makes 160/minute SAH with KFAQ, i.e. two and two-thirds Hz. Now if we only had a reference with such frequency precision
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1250, XEDK Guadalajara, Jal., OCT 14 0820 - Talk show with two men; around bottom of the hour were announcements by a man and woman, using the "DK doce-cincuenta" slogan a few times and then into baladas. Faded in and out and caught the DK 1250 slogan ID again at 0906 between baladas. Came back around 0914 in another balada, then a promo, a few more "DK 1250 AM" and then excerpts of a talk program featuring announcer and two guests; only lasted a few minutes then back to baladas. Varied from good to poor to inaudible and back again (Robert Vance, El Paso TX; W1NRAD10 G33DDC, 12 x 9-ft terminated corner-fed north and east loops, 25-yr old Palomar Loop, International DX Digest, NRC DX News Oct 19 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 1570, Oct 22 at 0545 UT, XERF, caught tail of promo announcement about digital radio plans, ``No se realizar·n de noche a ma0ana'', and HD/iBoc is gratuita once you have a receiver for it. I assume this refers to AM rather than FM, as IMER is converting all its stations to IBOC, but good to know they will turn it off at night! Or is this a national rule applying to all XE IBOCs on AM? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 6184.987, F,r die Nachteulen. Radio Educaci0n, M0xico City, dieser Tage mit einem lausigen Signal. Glenn Hauser berichtete von einer Ersatzsendernutzung und nur mittlerer bis niedriger Modulation. Ausserdem ist Sendeschluss jetzt um 0500 UT. Noted um 0445 UT Oct 20 mit einem endlosen Vortrag in Spanisch von einem m0nnlichen Sprecher. Details konnte ich nicht aufnehmen, so lausig war das Signal. Um 0507 UT Check war der Sender abgeschaltet (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

M...XICO, 6184.990, Tiny M0xican station XEPPM Radio Educaci0n on poor S=4-5 level. In Spanish at 0453 UT Oct 23, symphonic trumpet music played, looks like a children's girl asked some questions relating to symphonic music examples. An elderly man answered the correct answer. All interspersed by symphonic orchestra music. ID and productions data and executive staff names given at 0502 UT, and ID by girl child as "La Voz de Angela... or / Voz del 0ngel ..." something like this at 0503 UT, then followed by some 30 seconds drums and flute music. Sudden transmitter cut OFF at 0504:05 UT (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 23 via DXLD)

** MONGOLIA. 4830, Mongolian Radio 2, 1344, Oct 24. Orchestra music; assume in Mongolian; // 4895 with some light QRM from assume AIR; now being heard almost daily with decent reception on both frequencies (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOROCCO [and non]. 9579.2 ñ Radio M0diterran0e Internationale iMedi

Unî, Nador; French program at 2305; poor level not helped by the atrocious noise level I have on 31 meters, 10/16 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9579.138, R Medi no. 1, Nador in Arabic towards N Africa, Near East, news on violent death of Ghadafi and Libyan investigation matter, S=9+20dB powerful signal here in Germany. 0650 UT (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9579.12, Oct 20 at 0537, no het against poor signal on 9580, presumed Gabon; and not on 9575 either, so Nador apparently off. 15349.1 remains always off.

9579.12, Oct 21 at 0441, Arabic music, no het, so MÈdi Un, Nador transmitter is back on air and still way off-9575-frequency, and Gabon is not yet on. But at 0513 recheck, it is, reviving the het which I put at 880 Hz, altho Wolfgang B,schel measures the Nador frequency directly a bit higher at 9579.138.

9579.12+, Oct 22 at 0521, nothing but het audible between this, MÈdi Un, Nador and 9580.0, Africa No. Un, GABON. Could this be a plot by MU to damage the ratings of competitor ANU? Even 5 kHz apart was too close for them.

9579.12, Oct 23 at 0516, MÈdi Un, Nador transmitter is still way off-frequency and hetting GABON 9580.0.

9579.12, Oct 24 at 0428, Arabic music, 0430 Arabic announcement, no doubt MÈdi Un as previously identified way off its nominal 9575. In the clear, nothing on 9580.0, but after 0500 big het with Gabon 9580. Was checking for something in Hindi, Australia? which Mark Coady, Ont., had reported hearing on 9580, 48 hours earlier. Don't know what, but seriously doubt Australia, and not sure if he noted whether what he heard was really on 9579+ (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. 7110, Thazin Radio via Pyin Oo Lwin (Mandalay Division). Summary of programming in English between 1430 to 1500*.

Oct 12 - first noted news/weather from 1436 to 1441.

Oct 13 - from 1435 to 1440 again with news/weather. 1445-1451 program iMyanmar Traditions and Customsî mostly about Shan State and their tea cultivation; poorer than yesterday; 1501*

Oct 14 - news/weather 1435-1440.

Oct 15 - no news/weather today; just pop songs. 1445 the weekly Monday

iMyanmar Festivalsî about Manaw Festivals celebrated in northern Myanmar by the Kachin mountain people.

Oct 17 - news/weather 1435-1440; 1444 program iMyanmar Culture and Sceneryî with repeat show about the Sagaing Region in NW Myanmar; 1500*.

Oct 18 - news/weather 1435-1440.

7110, Thazin Radio via Pyin Oo Lwin (Mandalay Division). 1435-1440, Oct 20. iLocalî and iInternationalî news; current weather conditions as well as ioutlook for the next two daysî.
<https://www.box.com/s/sgjp3f3nn76pla4euvqb>
contains an MP3 recording of the weather.

7110, Thazin Radio via Pyin Oo Lwin (Mandalay Division), 1435-1440, Oct 24. In English with their daily news (local and international) / local weather; 1443 iMyanmar Culture and Sceneryî with yet another repeat show about the Sagaing Region in NW Myanmar (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. [Cf 12-42:] The following good news arrived too late to include in WOR 1639:

Radio Nederland nuevamente por Onda Corta en Espa ol:
(via Jorge Garc a Rangel, Venezuela, Oct 18, DXLD 12-42 via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD; also via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, ibid.)

Re my previous report of RN Spanish on 9895 at 1100-1157, about to terminate 'La Matinal' and replace it with 'El Toque' but not on SW? Jorge Garc a Rangel, Venezuela, has good news to update this: from Oct 30, 'El Toque' will be on 9895, via WHRI at 0000-0030 UT Tue-Sat. But since it is explicitly primarily for freedom-of-information-starved Cuba, it's also eligible for jamming! (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

FINAL NHK VIA BONAIRE (WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. The Mighty KBC 9500 --- Strong reception from 2350 tune-in with open carrier, and CNR1 just audible underneath. At exactly 00:00, KBC came on with an ID, and into Rolling Stones, "Can't get no satisfaction". S6 to S9 signal strength here on the west coast of North America (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, UT Oct 21, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also hearing this from about 0015, with classic rock and brief DJ talk

in EG between songs. Signal steadily improving from poor to at least fair know. Just (0039) caught a clear ID by a male DJ for iKBC Radio.í (Larry Cunningham, Gahanna, Ohio, ibid.)

KBC Radio, 9500 via Bulgaria is on until 0200. Only fair signal with fading, rock music, frequent promos and IDs, much weaker than Radio Republica/GUF on 9490 (Glenn, OK, ibid.)

Interesting, Glenn. Reception is rather good in Victoria (S6 to S9). I agree that 9490 is louder, though, also being jammed. It's at S9 + 10 plus here (Walt Salmaniw, BC, ibid.)

Same thing here, 9500 is a consistent S8 in Seattle, very listenable. I've been using KBC for background music while working on a large batch of emails (Bruce Portzer, ibid.)

9500, UT Sunday Oct 21 at 0101, rock music, fair signal 34433, from KBC Radio test to North America via Sofia (Kostinbrod), BULGARIA. Frequent ID breaks in English, such as 0104 ``Mighty KBC, 4 minutes past the hour``; 0108 another heavily produced ID and a Dave Edwards (?) classic. 0114 ad for a SW radio supplier in Germany, but could not catch the address or website; 0116 KBC Radio's own web and e-mail address. 0143 greeting a listener in the USA. Stops at 0200, brief open carrier and off.

Unfortunately this scheduling conflicted with other things, such as the dÈbut on OETA OKLA of the 37-episode `Doc Martin` quirky Britcom from ITV; and WTTW-2's weekly broadcast including WORLD OF RADIO; see USA. No significant CCI on 9500, but KBC was much weaker than e.g. 9490, R. Rep'blica via GUF atop jamming, and KBC wasn't armchair listening level anyway to take in the music. Hope they will anyway continue a North American SW service, altho no doubt more expensive Wertachtal could serve us much better.

Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria reports: ``BULGARIA, The Mighty KBC test on Sunday Oct. 21, 2012: 0000-0200 on 9500 SOF 100 kW / 306 deg to NoAm, good signal in Sofia, but also noted second harmonic on 19000 (35543). Very, very old transmitter!`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9500 kHz, 21/10 0122, BULGARIA, The Mighty KBC, Teste de Transmiss,,o Via Plovidiv-Bulg·ria, Inglís, Talk, Mxs em Inglís, Coment·rios do Apresentador, Id, Sinal Bom, 54544 (QRA: ílex Robert (PR7006SWL), QTH: Duas Estradas-Paraíba, BRASIL, DXCB: 255, RX: Degen DE 1103, ANT: Vertical 5 mts, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Another KBC test to the Americas this Saturday night/Sunday morning: according to 'The Mighty KBC' Facebook page 23-Oct:

Sunday 28 October 2012, 0000-0200 UT. The Mighty KBC Rocking Over The Ocean on 9500 kHz. <http://www.kbcradio.eu> (via Facebook via Alan Pennington, BDXC_UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** NICARAGUA [non?]. 8989-USB, Oct 18 at 2317, presumed Pescador Preacher, Spanish talk about dios, with `engine noise` in background; 2321 QSO contact with weaker signal. Yes, on usual 8989 today, rather than 8990-USB where heard a couple recent dates but slightly later in the hour. I suppose they may shift a kHz if necessary due to QRM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER. 9704.993, Voix du Sahel from Niamey, phone in program discussion in vernacular at 0645 UT (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 6089.848, Radio Nigeria Kaduna logged playing W African typical music at 0438 UT Oct 23, S=6-7 level, hit by CBB Anguilla caribic station co-channel on even 6090 kHz (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 23 via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. 15120.000, V of Nigeria, Abuja, not so bad audio feed today. Only 50 Hertz peaks both sidebands visible on browser screen. Powerhouse S=9+45 dB in Germany (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120: Very strong reception with 100% demodulation from VON in English at 1944 UT Oct 20. Low bit rate helps, but modulation is overdriven and somewhat muddy. SNR is 18.7 dB. A very rare DRM transmission audible any more in North America. A first for Africa for me in DRM (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Congratulations! Currently I have here in central Germany 15-16 dB SNR, which is not very much. With good short-wave-conditions, I once had over 28 dB SNR, here in Europe (IC-R75/Dipol/DREAM) (roger, ibid.)

15120 [AM], Oct 21 at 0438, fair signal with tone test, hum, as VON is working up to its 0500 English broadcast on AM. So it's propagating tonight, at least at first. It and 15400 Dabanga/Madagascar are the OSOBs, a truly African night on 19m, no Australia or anything else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

V of Nigeria on 7255 at 2117 20/10 with local music in Fulfulde. Listened until 2127 and the same song was playing with no announcer (Alex Klauber, Tecsun PL-660, MFJ 1045C preselector, Sangaen ATS 909, 200 foot longwire antenna. My location is not far from Syracuse, NY, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, *0446-0505, Oct 23, sign on with IS and English ID sequence. National Anthem at 0555. Opening English ID announcements at 0456 along with preview of upcoming programs. News at 0501. Poor to fair. Not as strong as usual (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 15120, Oct 24 at 0516, VON news, fair signal with whine, story about ECOWAS. This is both an African and an Australian night, with Botswana 15580, Australia 15240 and 15515 also in. You never know from one night to the next which it will be, or both (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6925.3/AM, 0410...0459:23*?, 18-Oct [UT Thu]; mashups & raps to 0415. Back at 0420 after 5 minutes dead air with cobbled together bits. 0431 falsetto voice impossible to copy; 0435 Brother Stair on Yaweh Gold Bug; (B.S. is everywhere!); 0449 old radio puffed wheat ad; 0450+ Glenn Hauser's World of Radio. SI0=333-, covered by ute blasts; dead air 0415-20 plus a few other on/offers. Good stuff -- an ID would have been thoughtful (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. (PIRATES): 6925.0 ñ Wolverine Radio; 0125 USB: prerecorded ID by man then ilive! announcer soliciting music requests via hfunderground.com; rock music, e.g. iRock the Casbah! by The Clash; heard past 0201; S9 + 20 db (peak modulation) and frequency was spot on, 10/20

6925.0 ñ Undercover Radio; 0353 AM: ID iIt's been quite a year for Undercover Radio!; iethereal! music interspersed with this station's trademark iweird! stories told by the operator (one Doctor Benway, according to the HF Underground wiki); this time he mused about alien visitations and an LSD flashback; S9 level, 10/20

6945.0 ñ Radio True North; 0411 AM: echo ID by male announcer; poor-to-fair level with fading; this one reputedly transmits from western Canada, 10/20 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. Pirates: RADIO TRUE NORTH: 6945/AM, 0459-0502+, 20-Oct; Electronic thumper music; ID at 0501+. SI0=352+ (Frodge-MI)

UNDERCOVER RADIO: 6925/AM, 0429-0456:09*, 20-Oct; Dr. Benway with commentary on our eroding freedoms + variety of tunes. QSL via undercoverradio @ gmail.com. SI0=454 (Frodge-MI)

WOLVERINE RADIO: 6925/USB, 0014-0022+, 20-Oct; Variety non-top-40 pop tunes; ID at 0016 and said to post requests on HFunderground. SIO=3+44 well over buzz burst QRM. 0124 recheck; stronger SIO=4+54+; acknowledged request from Red Mercury (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6945-AM, Oct 21 at 0443 as I tune in, ID with undercoverradio @ gmail.com and music, poor signal, so mission immediately accomplished to ID this pirate, and so much going on elsewhere, I must tune away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 740, Oct 18 at 0534 UT, KRMG Tulsa promo for 'Oklahoma Innovations', Sundays at 8 am (13 UT, soon 14). While a backwater in so many ways, socially, healthily and politically, OK does have some achievements in education and scientific research, so at least one hour a week is worth listening to KRMG, respite from its preponderance of far-right talkcrap (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. 960, UT Thu Oct 18 at 0500-0505, KGWA Enid provides another Fox-hole, so nulling the strong carrier as much as possible, I turn up the volume to hear at first music in Spanish, and by 0503 ABC news is gaining, presumably KMA in IA. 0505 local commercial blasts back on, and whatever talkshow follows; another check at 0609 finds dead air again! Under it, a mixture of blues (WABG Mississippi's format) and some talkshow in English. No telling how long this outage will last and when my ears might get blasted; stayed with it until 0615 when blues was dominant; good night.

960, UT Friday Oct 19 at 0500, KGWA Enid keeps right on modulating with Fox 'News', so no hole to DX tonight.

960, UT Sunday Oct 21 at 0500, KGWA Enid stops modulating after ID. Under open carrier I at first hear mostly Spanish music, then some English talk before KGWA blasts back on at 0505.

960, UT Monday Oct 22 at 0500, KGWA Enid dead air pause, mainly occupied by ABC News with an echo, so KMA and WERC? Ads amid included 800 numbers: at 0502, 1-888-987-3232; and at 0504, 1-800-895-8835. These lead to : ADT Security Services; and no clear hit. I suppose they were national ads anyway with no local clues.

960, UT Tuesday October 23 at 0500, KGWA Enid again fails to transmit dead air for five minutes, instead continued with Fox 'News', so no DXing under it tonight.

960, UT Wed Oct 24 at 0500-0505, KGWA Enid is dead air again, and this

time in its null mainly hearing bluesy music, so suspect WABG in Greenwood MS with this format (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1020, Oct 18 at 0611 UT, KOKP Perry is in dead air, like KGWA 960 Enid. It was not so before 0600 altho other nights it has often been. This failure happens frequently at KOKP, where obviously no human cares whether they are really modulating or not.

1020, Oct 23 at 0557 UT, KOKP Perry has again lost programming, dead air only, but producing a SAH probably with KDKA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1120, Oct 18 before 1300 UT I was noticing a tell-tale het of 1 Hz against post-sunrise remnant of KMOX, but no modulation from the understation. It's still there at 1305 so I stay on 1120: it's looping ESE/WWN, and not fading, clues that it is KEOR Catoosa OK via groundwave, back on the air after many months' silence. Really closer to Sperry, north of Tulsa. 1306 suddenly starts modulating with salsa music in Spanish, and then many segues, occasional interruptions and dead air pauses, especially after rechecking from 1336. Never any announcements heard. By 1350 music is more like techno-Spanish. 1402 pause and still no legal ID, 1404 more music, 1427 still going with KMOX absent by now. And still going with music at 1647 recheck. Maybe they are just keeping their license intact with a one-day revival.

We last heard KEOR on January 13, 2011 at 1605 UT, as in DXLD 11-02. Following were numerous notations of its absence. NRC AM Log 2012 says it has been silent since June 2012, but if it was on then, it must have been only a brief revival we missed.

At some time a few years ago it was simulcasting KJMU 1340 Sand Springs, which I can't hear, but they are not commonly owned now, and surely it would not be running this music with no announcements. NRC AM Log says it's silent too since last November. The Raftt Corporation owns KEOR and no other AM station in Oklahoma.

NRC AM Log says this 2 kW direxional daytimer has a CP for D4 10000 / CH 7000. D4 means different patterns for daytime and critical hours. Same info in FCC AM Query, so something bigger may come of this yet.

For those who may not recall, KEOR was originally 1110 in Atoka, southeastern OK. That frequency was hijacked to The Metroplex TX, now KVTX apparently S Asian format, and KEOR banished to northeast OK on the next frequency up.

In Feb 2009, we located the transmitter site, less hidden in the woods than when the leaves are out; three photos of it remain visible at: <http://www.w4uvh.net/KEOR1.jpg>

<http://www.w4uvh.net/KEOR2.jpg>

<http://www.w4uvh.net/KEOR3.jpg>

The third one is a close-up of the hat on one of the towers

1120, Oct 20 at 1840 UT, weak open carrier is still on the air from the direxion of KEOR Sperry/Catoosa/Tulsa, but no Spanish music modulation, unlike yesterday when I told Bruce Winkelman in Tulsa about it, and he replied:

``Presumed KEOR-1120 on with Spanish language vocal music, no voice ID or other announcements between songs 1955-2020Z 19 OCT 12. Listening now (2235Z 19 OCT 12) and still on with Spanish language vocals. Just heard what sounded like a quick "Radio Mejor" "ID" in Spanish 2238Z 19 OCT 12 but not sure since it caught me off-guard...``

Bruce Winkelman also reminds us about KJMP 1340 Sand Springs, which at one time was duplicating KEOR: ``KJMU-1340 is permanently off-air from what I saw a while back on the radio-info.com site (I think they have been renamed??). In response to a post about KJMU, someone locally with knowledge of the situation said that the new owner of the property that housed the transmitter/antenna tore down the building and sold the electronics for scrap. Can't vouch for the accuracy of that statement but they are certainly not on the air.``

1120, Oct 21 at 1232 UT, tell-tale het, subaudible, upon KMOX amounting to 76/minute = 1.27 Hz, and it loops toward KEOR which I therefore assume is still on the air without modulating. Official KEOR sunrise in Oct is 1230 UT, Nov at 1300, so maybe just turned on. I had not noticed any SAH on KMOX in the nightmiddle. On Oct 18 when I first heard KEOR reactivated, the SAH was exactly 1 Hz, but definitely more than that now (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I've been checking 1120 off and on all weekend and found strong OC at various times during the day with no programming from presumed KEOR. Still OC as I type 1737CDT 21OCT12 (Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1120, Oct 21 at 1911 UT check, KEOR is still on the air per DF toward Sperry, but just unmodulated carrier. Oct 22 at 1247 UT, still/again OC over KMOX at the moment, but the latter regains a bit (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checked 1120 yesterday on the way to work and today before leaving. Presumed KEOR-1120 on with open carrier, no programming 1305-1310Z 22 and 23OCT12, weak KMOX in the background. May try for a "s/on" tomorrow since I'm off (Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, OK, Oct 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, no sign of presumed 1120-KEOR OC this morning at first check at 1309Z 24OCT12, still nothing at 1330Z, only a very weak KMOX (Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, OK, Oct 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KEOR 1120 carrier is no longer heard by me or Bruce Winkelman the morning of October 24, as it apparently goes back to dormancy, having proven it still exists and can transmit if it cares to (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1380, Oct 23 at 1920 UT, as I am transporting another rodent to squirrel-haven, I find that some 10 km north of Enid is far enough away for the caradio to hear KMUS with Mexican music, despite splatter from local 1390 KCRC, which itself is on the N side of Enid. Therefore I claim a logging of this station which is now licensed to Sperry, north of Tulsa, and per NRC AM Log is called ``Radio Las AmÉricas``.

KMUS was originally named for its original city, MUSkogee, then meant MoUSE as in Radio Disney, and now surely means MUSica. KMUS daytime pattern pushes it mostly SSE unnecessarily toward ex-COL Muskogee, while KCRC goes WNW, and I may have been in a slight null from it. KMUS now has a 6-tower array somewhat south of Sperry which I believe we saw on the way to visit the KEOR 1120 site 3.7 years ago.

What could KMUS signify in the future? MUSsorgsky, when it has a Russian-orientated classical music format! DREAM on. MUSk, when smell-o-radio is developed! MUSTard, with a food/condiment format. MUSHroom, when devoted to fungus-searching and dining. MUSH, when bought by an Alaska corporation. MUSket when the 18th-century NRA takes it over. MUScovite when it starts relaying Voice of Russia including Mussorogsky. MUScular, when it's an all-exercise format. MUSsel, when fighting the zebra-invasion on the Arkansas. MUSEum, when The Gilcrease or Philbrook owns it. MUSlim, when ---- better stop there (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1580, Oct 18 at 1250 UT, no signal detected from KOKB Blackwell, off the air? It's after sunrise, yet KMIK AZ has 1580 to itself. See log of that at USA. Yes, KOKB is neither transmitting nor modulating on 1580 at 1647 UT check, while sibling station 1020 KOKP is nominal. Both of them are quite capable of running open carriers for long hours, night or day.

1580, Oct 19 at 1943 UT check, KOKB Blackwell is still off the air. Oct 20 at 1840, it's back, with local Kay-county ad (Glenn Hauser, Enid, Garfield county, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 31-3, KXOK Enid third subchannel which started carrying Azteca America earlier this month, Oct 21 at 2218 UT has again lost it

to black screen and silent audio, altho signal meter shows it is still being radiated. Oct 22 at 1920 UT check, it's back, and equally via the adjacent weaker non-broadcast intercity relay transmitter on RF 32, also remapping as 31-3 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15140, Oct 20 at 1428, R. Sultanate of Oman is making it, which rarely happens during the English hour, with rock music, or disco, so despite signal only poor, improving readability by employing BF0, I resolve to listen to the whole newscast at 1430:

Starts with Big-Ben-type top-of-hour 16-chimes, and then one bong, so apparently doesn't signify any real time. ID, martial news theme every ME station seems to require, each with their own variations. Opening headlines by OM with Americanish accent are punxuated by more music bits, about Syria, blockade of flotilla to Gaza. 1432 on to details now without musical interruptions; it seems little matters beyond the region:

Eid-something holiday for public employees (in Oman, presumably), Oct 25-31, and a different set of dates for someone else: Oct 27-30.

Beirut violence; something about SOS Clinton; Israel navy blockades Gaza; Palestinians on West Bank voting; international mediator in Damascus; Turkey fires on Syria; Bahrain vs protesters; rebels in Darfur, Sudan.

1438 something about radio in Oman I wish I could have caught; bus overturns in SW Iran. 1440 recap main points, bringing back the music bits: holidays; Lebanese PM offers resignation after assassination; Gaza blockade; Damascus mediator.

1442, ID, ending news with march theme again, then to rock music, and switch to YL with Britishish accent and harder to understand. Promo mentioning 91.4 FM, I thought, but WRTH shows the 15-hour-a-day English service, a lot more than we get on SW, is on 90.4 and 91.3 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15140, R. Sultanate of Oman. Thanks to Glenn for posting his Oct 20 reception. Oct 23 heard almost identical format; iStarts with Big-Ben-type top-of-hour 16-chimes, and then one bongî; into the news; iRadio Sultanate of Omanî and clear i90.4 FMî IDs; 1444 iHerbs and Healthî program about Chinese medicine and benefits of tea; medical PSA (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 17520, Oct 20 at 1406, S Asian music, very distorted with big hum, and carrier is unstable. Therefore I conclude that it is really R. Pakistan, HFCC scheduled 1330-1530 in Urdu, maybe English at

the end? 250 kW, 282 degrees from Islamabad, one of two SW transmitters still (mal)functioning and not really closed down as predicted. From 1410, Vatican via Madagascar, also in Urdu was scheduled on 17520, but finally moved August 27 to 17510. What coordination! (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, re your piece about PAK 17520. If memory serves me correctly (I suppose it could be checked in HFCC registrations, but I haven't), VAT was first to show 17520 and then PAK decided to use it too.

It was a very bad collision here - and probably in the two target areas. I did report it to the PAK frequency manager, with no response and no action on their part. It was VAT that made the decision to move to 17510 in August?/September? I don't have the exact date. Since then, no problems. I suppose it can be put down to lack of coordination, but some FM's still appear to think that because they are "aiming" their antenna at CIRAF 41 or 39 the signal doesn't go anywhere else. Regards from (Noel Green, England, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, it's quite obvious that in many many cases, we ``amateurs`` could do a better job at frequency management than the ``pros``. It comes from axually Listening To The Radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17520, Oct 24 at 1337, big humbuzz and unstable carrier with music underneath; 1358 stronger but worse, 1415 even worse, and still at 1439. R. Pakistan transmitter is way out of whack, registered as 250 kW, 282 degrees from Islamabad at 1330-1530. Can't they tell what a mess they are transmitting, serving no purpose whatsoever except as a huge embarrassment? And turn it off if they can't fix it? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN [non]. 15725, Oct 20 at 1419, very poor signal partly in English about Iran, but those are clips voiced-over into some other language. Aoki shows it's VOA's Radio Aap ki Duniya service in Urdu, 78 degrees from KUWAIT at 14-15 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALAU [and non]. 9930, Oct 21 at 1245, T8WH starting `Christ Gospel Broadcast` as scheduled Sundays, but with fast SAH from an unmodulated carrier. What could it be? Nothing but T8WH scheduled here in Aoki, a.k.a. [K]HBN in HFCC. The regular fast-SAH fading is distinguishable from irregular propagational flutter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. CQ, CQ, CQ; Aquí Pedro F. Arrun-tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son

UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

1049.98, R. Campesina, Cajamarca, 14/10 0615-0645, 33333, mxf huayno, ID iCampesina, n'mero uno en sintonía, mxf, ID iEn las encuestas, responde Campesina de Cajamarca, mxf [música folklórica]

1309.99, R. Chota, Chota, Cajamarca, 27/09 1019-1043, 33333, ID iSiempre en compañía de su Radio Chota, mxf, programa Amanecer Campesino, ID iPor Radio Chota, se oye nacional en el norte peruano", mxf

1480.00, R. Santa Ana, Cutervo, Cajamarca, 3/10 1020-1116, 33333, mxf, San Juanito, ID iSomos la voz del campo y del pueblo, Radio Santa Ana, mxf huayno, ID iSanta Ana, Santa Ana, mxf, ID iRadio Santa Ana presenta el ¡nyelusí, ads, Santa Ana le ofrece los mejores productos para su agricultura, Santa Ana le asesoramos en todo lo necesario para su propaganda, visítanos en nuestra tienda San Juan 835, segundo nivel de esta ciudad.

NOTA: he tratado de llamar a los teléfonos que indican en la hoja electrónica y no hay respuesta del caso. NOTA: ellos están de prueba, pues en Facebook dice iCon la bendición de Dios, estamos en la etapa de prueba Radio Santa Ana 1480AM en Cutervo, región de Cajamarca. <http://www.radiosantaana.com/>

4774.95, R. Tarma, 20/10 1120-12025 [sic], 44444, mxf huayno, ID iEn los caseríos y en todos los barrios está Radio Tarma, ads El Concejo provincial de Tarma, te da las facilidades para que te pongas al día en tus pagos, programa Radio Noticias news.

4939.98, R. San Antonio, Villa Atalaya, Ucayali, 13/10 2235-2310, 44444, música y mensajes de la iglesia Católica, ID iRadio San Antonio, una radio diferente, música

5120.00, R. Ondas del Sur Oriente, Quillabamba, 12/10 2240-2325, 44444, música LA romántica, ID iDesde Radio Felicidad, música, ID iDesde la central de noticia de RPP, estás con las noticias en Radio Felicidad, ads Farmacia Inka Farma, programa Volviendo a Casa, ads Caja Municipal de Cusco; luego dan ID iEl noticiero de Radio Ondas del Sur Oriente, 96.5 FM.

NOTA: cuidado con ellos al escucharlos; dan el ID de Radio Felicidad y en cadena con RPP // 900 AM de Lima por momentos (Pedro F. Arrunategui, Lima, Perú, la recepción la he efectuado del 22/09 al 20/10 en compañía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 20 metros y una antena loop, Muchos 128¥s, Chasqui DX via DXLD)

Note: all his frequency measurements in this and other countries, MW and SW are on the low side or right on, never on the hi side. This is very improbable, so suspect his precision is a bit off (gh, DXLD)

** PERU. 4955.00, Radio Cultural Amauta, Huanta, abrupt *1022 with guitar music and YL vocalists, like a choir. At 1027, usual bassy-voiced OM with s/on in Spanish including ID, time/check and schedule info for the day. Kudos to these guys, technical they are executing magnificently, and their early morning folklórico selections are outstanding (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Oct 20, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100 Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 + Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands), 355-foot bidirectional BOG positioned 150 deg / 330 deg for LA / SE Asia, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, HCDX via DXLD) Posted 10/20, but date of log missing (gh)

** PHILIPPINES. 9430, Oct 21 at 1316, guy speaking English about moving from Taiwan to Canada, then presumed consecutive translation by gal into Chinese; but not back to English, instead continuing conversation with another YL in Chinese. English segments frequently show up on FEBC's Chinese service like this, despite having formally banished English as an unnecessary language years ago: I suppose because English-speakers were more likely to be converts already (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 11795, Oct 21 at 1941, mailbag in Spanish is just mentioning Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, then someone in Tucumán. RRI is F-G, reading other reception report letters, e.g. Mexico, with musical bridges, I think from by Jean Michel Jarre --- is it ``Oxygène`` or ``Equinoxe``? Both really great music I recommend to hear in full. IIRC, 'Media Network' employed this too. Also on weaker // 9700. Besides seasonal frequency changes, RRI will be moving all its broadcasts one UT hour later from Oct 28, as if the entire world were going off summer time like Romania will be! How incestuous and provincial. Does not apply at all to Central or South America.

7225-7230-7235, Oct 23 at 0611, DRM noise must be RRI German as scheduled from Tiganeshti for 0600-0630. Tho legit, it's a shame they don't have a little more consideration for hams in the Western Hemisphere, blotting out 10 kHz of their band. At least this is RRI's only current DRM frequency in the 7200-7300 range; RNZI managed to use 7440 instead of 7285 which it had also registered (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 23940, R Romania, 2 x 11970, 1702 UT (Tim Bucknall, Congleton UK, RDR54D1 + CLP 513, Oct 21, harmonics yg via DXLD)

** ROMANIA. RRI B-12 FOR ENGLISH:

0100-0156 6145G 7325G

0400-0456 6130T 7305T 15220G 17870T

0630-0656 7310T 9600G-DRM 17780G 21600T

1200-1256 15460G 17530T 17765G 21570T

1800-1830 5895(DRM) - questionable ? joke; Kvitsoe-NOR IS DEAD.

via KVI-Norway 65 kW 220deg hardware in Norway is dismantled now. (wb)

1800-1856 9780T-DRM 11955T

2130-2156 6030G 7310T 7380G 9435T

2300-2356 6015G 7220G 9530T 11810T

(via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 6160, R. Rossii via Monchegorsk (presumed) (site per Aoki),
0402-0420, Oct 20. Sounded to be in Russian and mixing with Vancouver;
best in LSB to get away from Newfoundland on 6160.9. Thanks for the
positive feedback from Walter Salmaniw and Mauno Ritola, who listened
to a brief recording of my reception (Ron Howard, Asilomar State
Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg
via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. RADIO ROSSII, 28-Oct-2012 - 30-Mar-2013

Frequency / UT / CIRAF / Transmitter / Latitude, Longitude / Beam / kW

5905	/	1530-2100	/	27,28	/	Moskva	/	55N45, 037E18	/	267	/	250
5930	/	0100-2100	/	19	/	Murmansk	/	68N58, 032E46	/	339	/	50
5930	/	1700-1300	/	35	/	Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskiy						
					/	52N59, 158E39	/	30	/	100		
5940	/	1700-1300	/	24-26	/	Okhotsk	/	59N30, 143E00	/	30	/	100
6005	/	1700-1900	/	29	/	Armavir	/	45N00, 040E49	/	188	/	100
6085	/	2100-1700	/	21,22	/	Krasnoïarsk	/	56N01, 092E54	/	348	/	50
6100	/	2100-1700	/	31,32N	/	Krasnoïarsk	/	56N01, 092E54	/	0	/	20
6160	/	0100-2100	/	19	/	Murmansk	/	68N58, 032E46	/	333	/	40
6195	/	2100-1700	/	32,33	/	Irkutsk	/	52N18, 104E18	/	0	/	50
7230	/	1900-1500	/	23,24	/	Iakutsk	/	62N01, 129E48	/	330	/	100
7310	/	1230-1500	/	27,28	/	Moskva	/	55N45, 037E18	/	267	/	250
7320	/	1700-1300	/	24,25	/	Okhotsk	/	59N30, 143E00	/	45	/	100
9410	/	0600-0700	/	30	/	Samara	/	53N20, 050E10	/	58	/	250
9840	/	0400-0700	/	27,28,37	/	Moskva	/	55N45, 037E18	/	260	/	250
11610	/	0800-0900	/	29	/	Samara	/	53N20, 050E10	/	294	/	250
11895	/	0400-0500	/	32	/	Samara	/	53N20, 050E10	/	58	/	250
12075	/	0730-1200	/	27,28,37	/	Moskva	/	55N45, 037E18	/	267	/	250

(from <http://www.hfcc.org/data/b12/index.phtml>

via RusDX 21 Oct via DXLD) Sites include ancient disinfo, such as

Okhotsk really = Magadan (gh)

** RUSSIA. 24040, V of Russia, 12000 + 12040 at 1659 [so a sum, not a

harmonic]

24080, V of Russia, 2 x 12040, 1655 (Tim Bucknall, Congleton UK, RDR54D1 + CLP 513, Oct 21, harmonics yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. UNIDENTIFIED. 29650, 5 x 5930 --- 0930 UT 19/10/12, too poor to ID language (Tim Bucknall, Congleton, UK, RDR54D1 + CLP5130, harmonics yg via DXLD) Only R. Rossii, Murmansk is scheduled in HFCC (Glenn Hauser, ibid.) Thanks Glenn, it is definitely R Rossii, present again today (Tim Bucknall, ibid.) see also KALININGRAD

** RUSSIA. 9996, Oct 19 at 0539, RWM IDs over and over in CW, from Taldom timesignal station; 0540 resumes beeps, at first double, then single, one per second. :39-:40 is the ID minute, and I think also :09-10. Could use a detailed clock of what they transmit, what the double-beeps signify (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Wikipedia has a decent description of the transmission details:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RWM>

(Larry Cunningham, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) including:

``The mode of transmission is NON and A1A (CW). Between 0 and 8 minutes past the hour, RWM transmits a straight unmodulated carrier wave. At 9 minutes past, RWM identifies itself in Morse code. Between 10 and 20 minutes past the hour, RWM transmits a pulse of carrier every second, with the difference between UT1 and UTC in units of one-fiftieth of a second encoded onto the once-per-second pulses. Between 20 and 30 minutes past the hour, RWM transmits 10 carrier pulses each second. This transmission cycle is repeated every half hour.

RWM does not transmit the time of day, only standard time intervals.

RWM transmission schedule[2]

Minute Duration Signal

:00	:30	07:55 Unmodulated carrier
:08	:38	01:00 Transmitter off
:09	:39	00:55 Morse code station identification: "RWM RWM RWM..."
:10	:40	09:55 1 Hz pulses. Minute pulse 500 ms, others 100 ms, doubled with DUT1 code.
:20	:50	09:55 10 Hz pulses, 20 ms each. 40 ms on the second, 500 ms on the minute.`` (via DXLD)

But RID Angarsk is irregularly on air? Call RID xxxx04 kHz --- 5004, 10004, 15004 kHz.

<http://irkutsk.com/radio/tis.htm>

73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang Buschel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Says of RID, `` (Currently off the air due to budget cut) ``. Also explains schedule of RWM somewhat differently. Website may date back

to 2003y (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** RUSSIA. The Last Romanov (Voice of Russia -- 9665 kHz [via PRIDNESTROVYE]) Tuned the Voice of Russia's English transmission at 2330 GMT on 9665 kHz (also briefly checked the fine signal of same program on 9800). The signal on 9665 was strong & clear, registering 6 to 7 out of 10 on my S-Meter.

The program was "Russian Bookworld" with an interview of Dora Levy, U.S. author of the recent historical novel "The Last Romanov." They talked about the last imperial family of Russia, the Romanovs, and their tragic deaths -- meaning their cruel execution by the Communists nearly a hundred years ago during the Revolution. The discussion probed why the Romanovs continue to haunt the imagination of the Russian people even today, noting the huge interest in the royal family's life and tragic deaths that stirs the Russian people even now. Russia is still trying to form to a more objective view of the imperial family historically.

It was a fascinating, articulate discussion that held one's attention, representing the best kind of programming still available on shortwave radio (Grayson Watson, Dallas, TX using a Sangean 909x with an Apex 700DTA active antenna, Oct 18, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA [and non]. RADIO LIBERTY TO STOP AM RADIO BROADCASTS IN RUSSIA --- WNYC News, By Corey Flintoff, NPR, October 18, 2012

Radio Liberty was founded in the 1950s to broadcast American views into the former Soviet Union when the Cold War was at its peak. Radio Liberty transmitted on short wave, and the Soviet government did all it could to jam the broadcasts.

But after the fall of the Soviet Union, Russian President Boris Yeltsin granted the service permission to open a Moscow bureau and broadcast within the country on AM radio.

Now, after two decades of broadcasting, Radio Liberty's AM signal is about to be turned off. The service will continue to be heard on shortwave, but the plan is to move most of the operation to the Internet.

Radio Liberty executives say they were stymied by a recent Russian law that forbids foreign entities from owning a majority stake in any Russian broadcast license.

Steve Korn, the president and CEO of Radio Liberty and its sister service, Radio Free Europe, acknowledges that the law in the United States is similar.

Korn says Radio Liberty has tried to find a way to keep broadcasting, including looking for Russian partners who might be willing to take over the license. He says nothing worked.

"Rather than treat that as a calamity, we chose to treat it as an opportunity," Korn says, "because we felt that we could be reaching a much better and more effective, more targeted audience in Russia than we had [been] reaching."

Turning To The Internet:

What Korn had in mind was a service that would be focused more on the Internet and social media. He says the company's research in Russia shows that many more Russians go to the Internet for information, rather than going to AM radio or radio in general.

What Korn sees as an opportunity, however, turned out to be a calamity for some 40 staffers at Radio Liberty's Moscow bureau. They were called to Radio Liberty's lawyers' office, where they were told they were being terminated, with anywhere from four to six months' pay.

Former staffer Anna Kachkayeva says such treatment might be common for American companies, but it came as a slap in the face to Radio Liberty employees, some of whom had worked there for 20 years.

Kachkayeva, who also serves as the dean of media studies at Moscow's Higher School of Economics, says the changes ignore listeners who find it hard to adapt to Internet or can't afford it.

No one explained what was going on to the 200,000 listeners in Moscow, she says, but the message was "you are poor and old, and that's why you're being put in the wastebasket."

Masha Gessen, the newly hired director of Radio Liberty, disputes that figure about the number of listeners. She and Steve Korn say the AM signal was so weak that it couldn't be heard in most of Moscow and didn't reach far beyond the city.

Finding A New Audience:

Gessen says the real challenge is to reach beyond the radio audience and even the audience for most websites.

"We are going to try to get away from the home-page model for websites," Gessen says. "We're going to look into something else that's very much in the [Radio Liberty] mandate, which is cooperating with Russian media to produce content for them."

Gessen says Radio Liberty will work with independent Russian television and online media. The idea will be to push content to consumers, rather than waiting for them to come to the home page. Gessen says that means hiring what she calls "multidimensional journalists."

A few supporters of the Radio Liberty journalists who were fired held a picket outside the U.S. Embassy earlier this month. One of the organizers was Kirill Filimonov, a 20-year-old media student and former intern at Radio Liberty.

"What the Radio Liberty management in Washington did was exactly what the Kremlin would like them to do," Filimonov says. He says he doesn't believe the new service will give the same voice to those who oppose the policies of President Putin.

Korn insists that the changes at Radio Liberty won't change its mission. "We are not cutting back one penny of our total investment in Russia," he says. "We are reallocating it in a way that we think will be more effective."

To see more, visit
http://www.npr.org/stations/force/force_localization.php?station=WNYC_FM&url=http://www.npr.org/

http://www.wnyc.org/npr_articles/2012/oct/18/radio-liberty-going-off-the-air-in-russia/
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SABLE ISLAND. CY0 ham DXpedition is supposed to be underway Oct 22-31, according to latest info on website not updated since Oct 20:
<http://www.cy0dxpedition.com/>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, Oct 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SEALAND. THE PIRATE PRINCE OF SEALAND REMEMBERED
You can hear the NPR News feature here
<http://news.stlpublicradio.org/post/pirate-prince-sealand-remembered>
I see that many US newspapers have reported about Roy Bates' death
(Mike Terry, Oct 24, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SLOVAKIA [non]. USA: 9955.0 ñ Radio Slovakia International via WRMI, Miami; 0057 English ID with mailing address; good level but much interference from the Cuban jammer 10/17 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND. SOMALIA: Heard on 13-15 October on 7120: * 0331-0600* and *1501-1902* (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 21, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

7120, Radio Hargeisa/Hargaysa. Recently noted with slight variation with their 1500 sign on times. Oct 17 suddenly on at 1508 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

(SOMALIA): 7120.0 ñ Radio Hargeisa; 0333 Quíran/call to prayer for about 20 seconds when the carrier dropped and didn't come back; was at a pretty good level, 10/18; 0332 Quíran followed by announcements read by a male announcer at 0334; fair at first but fading and bothered by ham interference; at least they kept it on the air this time, 10/20 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Oct 18 at 0347, R. Hargeisa is still on in the mornings, fair signal with Qu'ran (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Radio Hargaysa, 1344-1359*, Oct 20. A new schedule? Normally with just a 1500 sign on. Speech in assume Somali and HOA music; fair in QRN. They were heard again at 1524, so they must have also signed on again at 1500. A one day only change? Ron Howard, CA, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

here is the link to the English program from today: (2012-10-20)
<http://www.radiohargaysa.net/images/warar/English2010.MP3>
I understand the frequencies 89.7 / 98.0 / 7120 kHz but what is the time? "..... 4-20 pm ..." (??) 16:20 local time = 1320 UT. hm?
(roger, Germany, Oct 20, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Radio Hargaysa. A quick check on Oct 21 found them again on the air before 1400, so indeed seems to be a real change in their schedule (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Radio Hargaysa. As Roger pointed out in dxldyg, their English program announces i..... 4-20 pm ...î (??) 16:20 local time = 13:20 UTC ... hm?,î; Oct 22 was able to hear them at 1321, but at threshold level and unable to confirm English for their 20 minute show; by 1345 was able to make out what sounded like Somali language and HOA music till 1401*. Heard again at 1501 with fair reception with reciting from the Qurían (qiraiút); probably had *1500 (Ron Howard, CA, ibid.)

Editorial - Somaliland: RADIO HARGEISA; WHAT IS IN A NAME? [sic:]
<http://somalilandpress.com/somaliland-radio-hargeisa-what-is-in-a-name-36298>

"If we may borrow the title from the late Ahmed Dedaatis äAtnaantu?i our answer in our context is äA LOT!i

Yes, there is a lot in a lot in a name.

By thus we mean whoever flouted the idea on the change of name for Radio Hargeisa was/were quite right.

As we hail the President and the government to make believe of the pledge on the establishment of a national radio which would releigh to a wide ranging area, we are as happy as all Somalilanders are (hence ought to be)- happy on the realization of the real radio.

It reminds us that at the late 80is and early 90is, the then SNM Radio Halgan was very vividly heard in East Africa.

Given that the mobile radiois power was far reaching, one wonders what happened over the past 20 years that we retrogressed so much as far as radio coverage was concerned.

Now we clearly see that it had all along been a matter of priorities. It is what you put high on your agenda that really matters.

In this case H.E. President Silanyo put the radio issue as a priority one factor hence made it the reality it has now become - the beast thing the nation has had for a long while.

Next to it is to give the priority the respect it deserves, again for nationality and nationhood purposes. It is known that radio Hargeisa basked on the glory of its name for two ironic purposes.

One is that, as an appeasement, it was iRadio Hargeisa of the Voice of Republic of Somaliai In other words it was part and parcel of the then national radio, VOS.

Secondly, in our re-asserted national Radio Hargeisa continued to bear its name whereas it was supposed to be the voice of (all) Somaliland. It indeed ironically remained a technical Hargeisa radio (in name) and a practical Hargeisa radio (by service).

Now that it is to serve its real purpose hence convey and portray the image of the country, SL, the radiois name technically and practically should, and must be what it is or what it is supposed to be: Radio Somaliland, Voice of Somaliland etc.

Thus its nationhood status should and must be PRIORITIZED too.

As such, a lot is in a name. Just as Dedaat was trying to justify the

Uniqueness and all magnificence enshrined, depicted and entailed in the Creator's name, we concur that A LOT is at STaKE where a name, and especially a NATIONAL name as such, is concerned.

It is incumbent upon the government do the necessary. In equal terms, those charged to run the facility at the information department should from now henceforth know of the reality.

That the wider audience cutting across national and international social, educational and political stratus would definitely be critical to whatever we air.

In other words we should be both as propped up and apt as professional expectations would require. Once more, thanks again your Excellency for prioritizing the needful. By M.A.EGGE

Please note the various interesting comments following the editorial (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Currently there is a serious push within Somaliland -- and the government seems to thinking favorably ñ to change Radio Hargeisa/Hargaysa to Radio Somaliland. If that happens, it may well have no practical implications for DXers, but we should at least be aware of it.

A name change, however, is not a slamdunk decision. In this currently radio-conscious but unrecognized icountryî there is still a lot of history and tradition favoring in the name Radio Hargeisa. It still is remembered in East Africa for its significant past.

But there are negatives too. The current government push was to provide a signal that could be heard throughout the icountryî and not just in its capital. Also, Radio Hargesa formerly was identified as the Voice of Somalia. But today, Somaliland is anxious to portray itself as politically and economically stable, different from rest of Somalia, which seems virtually ungovernable. The Voice of Somalia is an albatross around its neck.

For the latter reasons, I think before long, Radio Hargeisa on 7120 kHz probably will become Radio Somaliland, the Voice of Somaliland (don Jensen, WI, Oct 24, NASWA yg via DXLD)

7120, Oct 24 at 0334, R. Hargeisa is on, weak signal with Qur'an(?); was not quite on yet at 0330 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 9370, WWRB Manchester TN (presumed); 2233,

15-Oct; B.S. waxing about his finances; said he has a bill due next month at KEAY (did he mean KAAZ?); said that SW is costing him 24 K\$ per month. S9-20. I can find no listing for a KEAY, BUT: you can listen to B.S. on 1090 KAAZ Little Rock AR at 9 PM weekdays! (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15420-CUSB, it's the Sabbath, Oct 20, so WBCQ is on early at 1402 with Brother Scare --- but he's way under BBC Somali via CYPRUS. Furthermore, WBCQ is off-frequency, so not only is there CCI, but a het and makes the organ music sound off-key (not that they need much help to accomplish that). What coordination! What coordination? Apparently someone cannot believe that a signal southward from Cyprus could be much stronger than WBCQ on the beam to its own target area. O, never mind. Who wants to listen to BS, anyway? He could be heard a bit better on IRRS via Romania(?) 15215, not on alleged Armenian frequency 11800, with strong CNR1 on 11805, and didn't even bother to try the other US stations or Germany.

9980, Oct 23 at 1159, WWCN is already on with Brother Scare, very poor signal before sunrise with band not open yet from TN, but may have been on for an hour already. The transmitter schedule now shows 9980 at 11-01, but the program schedule dated 1 Oct still shows no start weekdays until 1600. But by 1240 signal had built up to daytime blast level, causing overload thruout the 31m band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN [and non]. 11880, Sunday Oct 21 at 1244 check, REE via COSTA RICA, still no 'Amigos de la Onda Corta' DX program, altho it's still in the weekly promotions sent out by Jos  Bueno for 1230 Sundays. It's really been missing for several weeks. Instead, song in English, 1250 discussion in Spanish about holiday music, postres (desserts). If it were still on at all, AOC would probably shift one UT hour later from next week as B-12 starts. I have noted the other two airtimes, Sat 0505, UT Sun 0030, since the 1230 vanished.

Following up on the missing REE DX program 'Amigos de la Onda Corta', which has been absent for several weeks from its previously scheduled final repeat Sundays at 1230 UT ñ I notified Pepe Bueno about this, who circulates weekly advance publicity about the program topix, and he asked producer and host Antonio Buitrago. His full reply in Castilian will appear in the next DXLD 12-43, but summarizing:

It was replaced (apparently without notice) by a broadcast Mondays at 2230 on 7275, 9570 and 15110, the latter to North America, and all direct from Spain. However in B-12 there will be further changes: Saturdays at 0605 (ex-0505), 2330 (ex Sunday 0030) and UT Tuesdays at

0130. This starts Sunday October 29, so presumably only affects the Tuesday broadcast that week.

However, from November 12 a new REE program schedule goes into effect, and 'Amigos de la OC' will expand from 25 to 50 minutes with the last half being a mailbag like the former 'Correo del Oyente'. Times for that are not yet known but will likely change again (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX WORLD OF RADIO 1640, LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Buenos días Glenn: Te adjunto la contestación de Antonio Buitrago referente a tu pregunta. Una vez que reciba el esquema B12 te lo envío. Un saludo (Pepe Bueno, Spain, Oct 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

----- Original Message -----

From: Antonio Buitrago

To: Programasdx

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2012 11:00 AM

Hola José, he hablado con el departamento técnico de REE y me dicen que sí, se ha suprimido la emisión del Amigos de la Onda Corta a las 1230 UT. También me han señalado otros cambios. Te cuento. En primer lugar, se van a cambiar frecuencias, lógicamente, a partir del día 29 de octubre, como hacen otras emisoras. El 12 de noviembre también se van a realizar cambios ya que la nueva dirección quiere poner en marcha una nueva programación.

Por tanto, de hoy 22 al 28 de octubre el Amigos de la Onda Corta se emite del siguiente modo:

Emisión del SÁBADO 0505-0530 UT

Europa 12035 kHz - 9780 DRM

Oriente Medio: 11890 kHz

América del Sur: 5965 (*) kHz

América Central: 3350 (*) kHz

América Norte: 6055 y 9630 kHz

Emisión del DOMINGO 0030-0100 UT

Europa: 7275 kHz

América del Sur: 11815 DRM (*)

América Central: 9775 kHz

América del Norte: 15110 y 17850 kHz

Emisión del LUNES 2230-2300 UT

Europa: 7275 kHz

África: 9570 kHz

América del Norte: 15110 kHz

(*) Desde el centro emisor de Cariari, Costa Rica

A PARTIR DEL 29 DE OCTUBRE:

Amigos de la Onda Corta ir· con el cambio de hora:

S·BADOS 0605-0630 UT y

2330-0000 UT

MARTES 0130-0200 UT

A PARTIR DEL 12 NOVIEMBRE:

Amigos de la Onda Corta ser· de 50 minutos de duraci·n. Los primeros 25 minutos ser·n como ahora y los 25 restantes ser·n para contestar correspondencia tal y como se hac·a con el programa Correo del Oyente. Todav·a no est· cerrada la programaci·n pero intentar·n ajustar el programa a los horarios de emisi·n del Amigos de la Onda Corta.

Cuando tenga el esquema y los cambios de frecuencia, te lo falicitare·. Un saludo (Antonio Buitrago Molina, REE, via Jos· Bueno, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN [and non]. REE B-12:

·REA FRECUENCIA BANDA HORA UTC IDIOMA PERIODICIDAD

EUROPA

12035 0500-0900 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
9780 0500-0900 ESPA-OL Diaria DRM
12035 0600-0900 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
13720 1100-1300 ESPA-OL Diaria DRM
15585 0900-1700 ESPA-OL Diaria
11755 1700-1730 RUSO Lunes a Viernes
9665 1700-2200 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
7275 1700-2300 ESPA-OL Diaria
9665 1800-1900 FRANC...S Lunes a Viernes
9665 1900-2000 INGL...S Lunes a Viernes
6125 2200-2300 INGL...S S·bado y Domingo
5970 2300-2400 FRANC...S S·bado y Domingo

ORIENTE MEDIO

11895 0500-0700 ESPA-OL Diaria
21610 1100-1700 ESPA-OL Diaria
15385 1425-1455 SEFARD· Lunes
21610 1700-1900 ·RABE Diaria
9605 2000-2100 FRANC...S Lunes a Viernes
12030 1900-2000 FRANC...S Domingo

·FRICA

21540 0900-1500 ESPA-OL Diaria
15385 1500-1700 ESPA-OL Lunes a S·bado
17755 1500-2200 ESPA-OL Domingo

17755 1700-1900 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 17755 1700-2200 ESPA-OL S·bado
 9590 1900-2000 FRANC...S S·bados
 7265 1900-2100 ;RABE Lunes a Viernes
 9605 1900-2000 INGL...S Lunes a Viernes
 7265 2000-2200 ;RABE S·bado y Domingo
 9570 2000-2100 FRANC...S Lunes a Viernes
 11625 2200-2300 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
 7265 2200-2300 ESPA-OL Diaria

FILIPINAS

11910 1200-1400 ESPA-OL (Desde Xian) Diaria

AM...RICA DEL SUR

11815 0000-0100 ESPA-OL Diaria DRM
 9765 0001-0400 ESPA-OL Diaria
 11780 0115-0145 SEFARDÛ Martes
 [colliding with BRAZIL; will REE come to senses and alternate 11795?]
 5965 0400-0800 ESPA-OL Diaria
 11815 1200-1500 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 15125 1200-2300 ESPA-OL Domingo
 17595 1300-1700 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
 17595 1300-1500 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 17715 1500-1900 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 15125 1600-2300 ESPA-OL S·bados
 17715 1700-1900 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
 15125 1800-2000 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 11940 1900-2300 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
 11680 2100-2200 PORTUGU...S Lunes a Viernes
 6125 2300-0500 ESPA-OL Diaria
 9620 2300-0500 ESPA-OL Diaria

AM...RICA CENTRAL

3350 0200-0600 ESPA-OL Diaria
 9765 1200-1500 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 9765 1200-2300 ESPA-OL Domingo
 17595 1300-1700 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
 9765 1600-2300 ESPA-OL S·bados
 9765 1800-2000 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 11940 1900-2300 ESPA-OL S·bado y Domingo
 6125 2300-0500 ESPA-OL Diaria
 9535 2300-0500 ESPA-OL Diaria

AM...RICA DEL NORTE

9630 0000-0200 ESPA-OL Diaria DRM
 6055 0000-0100 INGL...S Diaria
 6055 0100-0600 ESPA-OL Diaria
 9675 0200-0600 ESPA-OL Diaria

9690 0415-0445 SEFARDÏ Martes
 15170 1200-1500 ESPA-OL Domingo a Viernes
 17595 1300-1500 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 15170 1330-1355 EUSKERA Lunes a Viernes
 17595 1330-1355 EUSKERA Lunes a Viernes
 17850 1500-2300 ESPA-OL Domingo
 17850 1600-2300 ESPA-OL S·bados
 17850 1800-2000 ESPA-OL Lunes a Viernes
 17850 1830-1900 PORTUGU...S Lunes a Viernes
 15110 1900-2300 ESPA-OL Diaria
 6055 2300-0000 FRANCO...S Diaria
 9535 2300-0500 ESPA-OL Diaria

(via Antonio Buitrago, REE via JosÈ Bueno, CÙrdoba, Oct 4, [English via] WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 11905.0 ñ Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation, Ekala;
 0130 Hindi service (listed); female announcer with subcontinental
 music; good level at first but faded and was almost inaudible by 0215
 10/17.

15745.0 ñ Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation, Ekala; 0200 time pips
 followed by ID and news in English read by a woman; weak, 10/18 (Andy
 Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX
 LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 15725 Sign-off, cut down transmission of Sudanese opposition
 radio at 0700:20 UT (Wolfgang B, schel, Stuttgart, Germany, Oct 18,
 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) I thought this had already quit 15725
 completely; could that be Pakistan instead? (gh, DXLD)

SUDAN, North: Observed on 13-15 October in Arabic:
 On 7200 *0225ñ0427* and -1330ñ1557* ;
 On 9505 *0430 (under Iran?) ñ0700- and *1600ñ1830-.
 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, 21 October, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9505.00, 1749-1825 15.10, R Omdurman, Al-Aitahab, Khartoum. Arabic
 ann, Sudanese songs - strong carrier, but weak modulation, 32332, QRM
 a distorted signal. Not heard on 7200 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde,
 Denmark on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario
 Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

[and non]. 19/10, 7200, Sudan? 1519 with a very poor modulation, S4.
 19/10, 9505, LV Sudan? 1608 with HoS [Horn of Sudan? Or Horn of Africa
 typo?] songs, S9max, ID 1610. At 1647 VoIRI in Armenian with S20
 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [and non]. Puzzles. Please comment my thoughts, see below:

SUDAN/SWAZILAND/IRAN. 9505, Omdurman Al Fitahab, heard both at 1700 UT HOA music under co-channel IRIB Iran in Armenian 1630-1727 UT, and in the clear later the night, but low modulated signal, I used earphones to understand the transmission.

9499.984, Next door channel TWR Manzini Swaziland in Amharic at 1721 UT Oct 18. Endless talk on S=9+20dB signal level (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 18 via DXLD)

* but to clarify these of Omdurman and Khartoum locations.
Is still a puzzle? Al-Aitahab is registered with ITU for decades.

To clear the SW services location at A l - A i t a h a b, according Google or Bing maps:

sw services of Radio Omdurman and Saut Afrikyia min Idaa-tu Sudanya / La Voix du Soudan, Radio National du Soudan location at the westerly banks of the Nile river, near the Abu Se'id bridge.

Visible few shortwave antennas: 3 non-dir vertical cone rhombic antenna. 3 revolving horizontal log-periodic antennas.

15 35 10.22 N 32 26 42.42 E

<<http://goo.gl/maps/l8sHV>>

<<http://binged.it/VfLdl9>>

However the MW and former shortwave sce site is located 23 kilometers easterly on the Khartoum S o b a site. 2 MW masts of 747 and 963 kHz installations visible til 2006/2008. Two fountain like former non-directional 4995/5039 kHz 60 meterband antennas. And 11 SW dipoles and some log-periodics for - probably - press agency services and other utility antenna installations for Department of State or Ministry of Defence, also

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15 28 18.44 N 32 37 35.73 E

see GE image of 20 Oct 2004.

former MW mast location in 2004y to Febr 2008y

15 28 22.16 N 32 37 49.95 E

former MW mast location in 2004y to Jan 2006y

15 28 20.48 N 32 37 32.15 E

Puzzle ?, or the use of short-wave on reversed location, so did come from formerly from Soba site till February 2008? And registration at call 'ALF' was left unchanged at the ITU before?

In 2005y "...4995, 6150, 7200, 9505, 11835 and 15170 kHz", as read on dswci DXW item, so the 11 curtains at Soba used til 2008?

And now in use these revolving log-periodic antennas at Omdurman Al-Aitahab? (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

[and non]. 9505, Oct 21 at 0428, open carrier, and then French ID from ``La Voix du Soudan``, apparent new external service from R. Omdurman; then to music of horns, strings, percussion, 0430 adding vocalist. 0447 still in typical music, just this side of the Horn of Africa; 0448 IDs in Arabic and Swahili, more music; 0454 IDs again, dead air; 0457 music is back continuing past 0500. At 0517 recheck it's weaker, overshadowed by 9515 CRI Arabic via Albania.

Hours for Sudan's new service have not stabilized but Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria tells me Oct 21: [as above]

While Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria reported:

``Radio Omdurman Sudan in Arabic on Oct. 18:

0200-0500 on 7200 ALF 100 kW / 000/090 to EaAf, ex 0200-0400

Saut Afrikyia min Idaa-tu Sudanya/La Voix du Soudan, Radio National du Soudan in Arabic/French and announcement in Somali or Swahili on Oct. 18: 0500-0800 on 9505 ALF 100 kW / 270 deg to NoAf, ex 0400-0700`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 17745, Oct 19 at 1647, immediately upon intuning, I hear ``Sudan Radio Service`` pronounced in English amid Arabic talk, good signal. SRS ceremoniously closed down its ``unneeded`` SW service to South Sudan in September, and this transmission via UK at 15-17 went off, but 17745 was again being heard around 1645 on Sept 30 by Walt Salmaniw in BC, and on Oct 6 by Zacharias Liangas in Greece.

It turned out that SRS had canceled only the S Sudan service, but maintained the separately programmed and separately-frequencied Darfur service (no English), but at some point moved the Darfur service onto the frequencies previously used by the S Sudan service. Ivo Ivanov, DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, reports:

``Frequency changes of Sudan Radio Service, Darfur program from Oct 8: 0400-0500 13720*DHA 250 kW / 240 deg NEAf only in Arabic, ex 11800 DHA 1600-1700 17745*WOF 250 kW / 140 deg NEAf only in Arabic, ex 15500 WOF * former freqs of EDC Sudan Radio Service in Arabic/English & various langs. Future plans: Extended transmissions up to 90 minutes: 0400-0530 & 1600-1730 (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX Re Mix News 16 October via WORLD OF RADIO 1639, DXLD)``

However, per the above two logs, 17745 was already revived more than a week before October 8 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 21/10, 11560, Miraya, 0557 YL giving tel number for

listeners comments "Hello, R Miraya" with talks in vernacular and English, S20 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Winter B-12 from Oct. 28:

0300-0600 9940 SOF 070 kW / 195 deg EaAf Radio Miraya English/Arabic (DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

** SWEDEN. SAQ 17.2 kHz --- Managed to hear the UN Day broadcast from SAQ this morning (24/10). First bursts of carrier heard at 1018 UT, followed by the string of IDs "V V V V V V V V V DE SAQ SAQ SAQ" repeated 'til 1030 when the CW message began.

Quiet atmosphere today, very few static crashes to contend with, SIO 344. The message finished at 1040 followed by the weak descending (presume powering down) tone. 73's (Nick Buxton Rank, Home-brew VLF rx, bdxcul yg via DXLD)

** SYRIA. DW REPORT ON RADIO DAMASCUS GERMAN SERVICE
<http://m.dw.de/english/mobile.A-16313020-9097.html>
(via Chris Greenway, Oct 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

`article not found` - Did you keep a copy? (Glenn, ibid.)

Glenn, What about this:

<http://www.dw.de/syrian-propaganda-in-german/a-16313020> ?
(Ron Howard, ibid.) viz.:

SYRIAN PROPAGANDA, IN GERMAN

Everything is great in Syria - at least according to the German-language news broadcast by Radio Damascus. Syria's state broadcaster is trying to improve the government's image abroad with foreign language news.

"Syrian forces have renewed their resolve to eliminate terrorism and its supporters," the newscaster reads in Damascus, speaking in German. For several minutes, he lists the latest fronts on which the Syrian government has repulsed its enemies. "In Aleppo, Syrian army units killed a large number of terrorists who were trying to break into a barracks," he says, adding that dozens of insurgents had also been killed or wounded in Homs and elsewhere.

Every night for an hour, the Syrian state broadcaster provides news and commentary for a German-speaking audience. The programming gives the impression that the government in Damascus is doing all it can to mediate and avoid a bloody civil war.

As in the Arab-language main programming, the insurgents are

consistently described as being terrorists controlled and supported by foreign forces. In addition, individual news items speak of the government's alleged commitment to reform. Criticism of President Bashar Assad is nowhere to be heard.

Making their political position clear

A unit of the Syrian armed forces carry out a military operation in Aleppo [caption] AFP/GettyImages

Radio Damascus provides the government line on the conflict

Abdullatif Adam, the head of German programming at Radio Damascus, explains the broadcaster's intent: "The aim of the foreign services of the different radio and television stations is to correctly portray the political, cultural, sport and touristic aspects of our country." But it's clear that the main message of the current news line-up is the war.

"Providing the government's own political views on regional and international events, in a number of different languages - this is classic propaganda, similar to what once came out of Europe and in others parts of the world," says Kai Hafez, a communications professor at the University of Erfurt.

No criticism allowed

The Syrian state broadcaster first aired German-language programming in 1968, over shortwave. Today, daily programming can also be picked up via satellite and over the Internet. Adam says the programming blocks, bookended by Arabic music, are put together by 10 people. Similar services are also available in English, French, Russian and Turkish.

Syrian President Basher Assad EPA/LUCAS DOLEGA [caption]

Criticism of Assad is not welcome

Listeners, according to Adam, are almost exclusively Germans or Austrians; Syrians living in Germany, however, are less likely to tune in. Adam, who says he is taking private German lessons in Damascus, says he gets a lot of feedback from his listeners, though now and again it's also criticism.

"For example, there are instances where people don't understand our political stance on the Arab-Zionist conflict, or have a different opinion on the issue. In that case, they let us know," he says. Any deviation from the government line while on the air, however, is

clearly not on the schedule.

Limited reach and impact

Adam admits he doesn't know much about the reach of his little-known program in Germany, but says he would like a stronger signal. In addition, he would also like to start a German-language television channel to further expand his audience.

Hafez, however, believes such foreign language broadcasters have a limited range. "I don't think audience numbers are very high," he says. Hafez also doesn't think such programming can do much to significantly promote the Syrian government's position on the world stage.

"This [broadcast] is merely a proof of modernity and functionality," says Hafez. "Any country that can afford it will set up something similar." (via DXLD)

Looks like an updated version of a piece broadcast by Deutschlandfunk months ago. I see not so terribly much sense in referring in an English-language service to German-language offerings of a radio station that broadcasts in English as well (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) continued at INTERNATIONAL VACUUM

** SYRIA [and non]. ALJAZEERA REPORTS SUSPECTED JAMMING FROM SYRIA

Aljazeera reports on their Syria Blog that Syria is suspected of Jamming signals

The Syrian government is suspected of jamming broadcasts by the BBC, France 24, Deutsche Welle and the Voice of America, the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) said in a statement on Monday, citing satellite operator Eutelsat.

Eutelsat had already blamed Iran for deliberately jamming satellite signals on Oct. 4, but the EBU said Eutelsat had reported "deliberate and intermittent interference" from regional ally Syria as well.

"Access to information is a universal human right and an essential component for democracy. We deplore this attack on media freedom," EBU Director General Ingrid Deltenre said.

The EBU said the jamming may be linked to Eutelsat's decision to stop carrying 19 channels operated by Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting, which were taken off air to comply with tougher European Union sanctions.

Deliberate interference with broadcast signals is banned by the International Telecommunication Union, a UN body which includes both Iran and Syria among its membership. [Source: Reuters] (via Richard Lewis, Forest, MS, dxldyg via DXLD) See also INTERNATIONAL VACUUM

** TAIWAN [and non]. Sent e-mail to Radio Taiwan International about English on shortwave to North America for the B-12 season and this is the reply:

Dear Peter: Thank you for your letter. RTI has no plans to end its shortwave broadcast to North America. If you have any comments or suggestions about our programming, please do not hesitate to write to us at rti@rti.org.tw

Sincerely, Paula Chao, English service coordinator (via Peter Hansen, Oct 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good, but the FCC B12 schedule at HFCC for all private US SW stations including WYFR also labels only certain YFR broadcasts as for RTI:

2145-0145 15440 285 Spanish
[language not specified for the others:]
2245-2400 9690 222
0045-0200 9680 315

The :45 starts no doubt just cover warm-up periods, but not clear why one would end at :45.

The above times and frequencies do NOT INCLUDE any of the present RTI English relays to NAM, which are at 0200, 0300 and 0500 on 5950 and/or 9680. From the azimuth, only 9680 is aimed to NAM, but not at a present English time. Will it move one hour earlier and be the only one left, or would Chinese be more important?

Furthermore, 9680 is not shown on air at any other times from WYFR, regardless of service or language. And 5950 is not on the schedule at all.

OR, like KBS World Radio, are RTI going to attempt to reach NAM directly from home country? No such transmissions would be allowed by the ChiCom to show in HFCC (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Paula Chao, We are apprehensive that from the B-12 season a week from now we will no longer be able to hear RTI in English via the powerful relays of WYFR.

Your reply to Peter Hansen asserts that you have no plans to drop these broadcasts, but I have been researching the new season schedules

and have published this. Would you please reply and tell me specifically if any of the info is wrong, and exactly when and on what frequencies your English to North America will be heard? Thanks, Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO (via DXLD) No reply from her, but:

RTI Frequency Change for North America

Starting from October 28th, our transmission to North America will be changed to 6115 and 15440 kHz from 2200 to 2300 UT. In addition, RTI's programming can also be heard on 1210 kHz from 0400 to 0500 UT in Sacramento, California and on 750 kHz from 1400 to 1500 UT in Baltimore, Maryland. In Europe, listeners can tune in to our programs on 3965 kHz from 1800 to 1900 UT.

<http://english.rti.org.tw/thmeInfo4.aspx?tid=9DA1AE63B82AB878>

(via Ashik Eqbal Tokon, Rajshahi, Bangladesh, Oct 22, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Anyone know if the NA beam is still via WYFR or has been changed to some other facility? Not a very convenient hour; takes RTI completely out of NA primetime. Big cut from the former three choices later in the evening. Interesting about the RTI mediumwave options. Is RTI up against CRI in those markets? Here in Houston, there are two stations running CRI in English and another with the CRI Chinese language service filling much of its schedule. With a large Chinese-American population here, it wouldn't surprise me to have RTI appear on one of the local AMs (Steve Luce, Houston TX, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5950, Oct 23 at 0513, RTI in English, usual VG signal via WYFR, M&W chatting rather than significant programming; 0524 finishing and next program to be 'We've Got Mail', but then it starts and there they are chatting again. Maybe we will not be missing much:

Ever since we had a look at the WYFR B-12 frequency schedule a couple months ago, we have been apprehensive that the RTI relays would be terminated, as 5950 and/or 9680 are no longer on the schedule at the long-established times yearound for RTI English, 0200, 0300 and 0500. There are still some earlier transmissions which must be RTI relays, but how about English?

Less than a week before B-12, RTI has finally made public its plans: there will be only one English relay via WYFR and it will be at the new time of 22-23 UT on 15440 and 6115; tnx to dxldyg member Ashik Eqbal Tokon, Rajshahi, Bangladesh, who found that on the RTI website. 15440 is registered as 285 degrees, and 6115 at 355 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 15275.0 ñ HSK9 Radio Thailand, Udon Thani; 0022 news in English; 0027 several promos, including one for a cruise along the

Thai coast; either off or faded abruptly at 0030; was fair up to then 10/16 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET. 6200, Xizang PBS via Lhasa, 1600, Oct 24. iThis is Holy Tibet, presented to you by China Tibet Broadcasting. Find out the history and reality on the roof of the world. And keep in touch with the developments and changes in Tibet. This is Holy Tibetî; ex: 1530, which was a much better time for the WCNA; now I will have to wait another few weeks before reception of this program gets to be good (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 11980, Oct 18 at 0550, TRT Turkish service makes it less often, but good tonight with always minor-key pop music, 0556 ID and website, more music but cut off abruptly at 0556.6* (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11980.0 ñ Turkish Radio and Television/Voice of Turkey, Emirler; from 0420 tune-in past 0434 Turkish pop music with brief announcements in Turkish by a woman; massive S9 + 40 db signal at peaks 10/20 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Icom IC-R75 with active whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Winter B-12 schedule for Voice of Turkey:
Shortwave Broadcasting Schedule of VOICE OF TURKEY Radio
between 28.10.2012 - 30.03.2013 - dates

kHz	UTC	zones	kW	deg	language	target
5960	2300-2400	5,8,9,11N	500	310	ENGLISH	AMs/EUR
5965	1630-1730	29SE,39NE	500	90	AZERBAIJAN	AS
5970	2030-2130	27,28W	500	290	FRENCH	EUR
5980	1700-2200	27,28	250	310	TURKISH	EUR
6000	0100-0300	30,40,42	500	72	TURKISH	AS
6050	1930-2030	27,28W	250	290	ENGLISH	EUR
6050	2030-2130	37,38,46	500	247	FRENCH	AF/EUR
6120	1700-2200	38E,39,40W	500	150	TURKISH	AF/AS
6185	1500-1530	28S	500	290	ITALIAN	EUR
7205	1830-1930	28	250	310	GERMAN	EUR
7240	0400-0500	38E,39,40W	500	138	ENGLISH	AS
7245	1200-1230	28S	250	290	BULGARIAN	EUR
9410	0200-0300	12S,13-15	500	252	SPANISH	AMs/SoEUR
9410	1400-1500	19-22,29	250	20	RUSSIAN	AS/EUR
9460	0300-0400	42	500	72	UYGHUR	ME/AS
9495	1730-1830	27S,28,37	250	270	SPANISH	AMs/SoEUR/AF
9530	1600-1700	30S,40	500	105	PERSIAN	ME/AS

9610	2130-2230	39-41,49	500	105	ENGLISH	AS/AUS/NZL
9650	0200-0300	8E,10SE,11	500	290	SPANISH	AMs/SoEU
9655	0400-0500	3-5,7N,9N	500	335	ENGLISH	AMs/EUR
9665	1500-1600	38E,39,40W	250	150	ARABIC	AF/AS
9700	0500-0700	18S,27,28	500	310	TURKISH	AMs/EUR
9785	1430-1500	29E,30,31	500	62	KAZAKH	ME/AS
9820	0500-0700	39	250	138	TURKISH	AS
9840	1100-1200	29S	250	72	GEORGIAN	AS
11680	1600-1730	30S,40N	250	92	DARI-PERS	ME/AS
11730	1730-1830	30S,40E,41	500	105	ENGLISH	ME/AS
11795	0930-1100	39N,40NW	500	105	PERSIAN	ME/AS
11805	1200-1300	42-44	500	72	CHINESE	AS
11815	1400-1700	27,28	250	300	TURKISH	EUR/AM
11835	0800-0900	29SE,40NW	250	72	AZERBAIJAN	NE/ME/AS
11925	0700-1000	29SE,39NE	500	97	TURKISH	NE/ME/AS
11955	1000-1100	37N,38N,39	500	210	ARABIC	AF
11965	1300-1330	30S,40N	250	72	TURKMEN	NE/ME/AS
11985	1300-1400	40,41N	500	92	URDU	ME/AS
12035	1330-1430	18S,27,28W	500	310	ENGLISH	EUR
13625	1130-1200	30	500	72	UZBEK	ME/AS
13685	1330-1430	42,43	500	72	UYGHUR	ME/AS
15200	1500-1600	37,38W,46	500	252	ARABIC	AF/SoEUR
15350	0700-1400	27,28	500	310	TURKISH	EUR/AM
15360	1100-1130	19,20,29	500	32	TATAR	RUS/AS
15480	0700-1300	38E,39,40W	500	120	TURKISH	AS
17755	1230-1330	28	500	310	GERMAN	EUR

(TRT frequency sorted form file by wb wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Arabic
1000-1100 Af 11955
1500-1600 Af/As/Eu 9665 15200
Azerbaijan
0800-0900 Ne/Me/As 11835
1630-1730 As 5965
Bulgarian
1200-1230 Eu 7245
Chinese
1200-1300 As 11805
Dari-Pers
1600-1730 Me/As 11680

English

0400-0500 As/Am/Eu 7240 9655
1330-1430 Eu 12035
1730-1830 Me/As 11730
1930-2030 Eu 6050
2130-2230 As/Au/NZ 9610
2300-2400 Am/Eu 5960
[WORLD OF RADIO 1640]

French

2030-2130 Eu/Af 5970 6050

Georgian

1100-1200 As 9840

German

1230-1330 Eu 17755
1830-1930 Eu 7205

Italian

1500-1530 Eu 6185

Kazakh

1430-1500 ME/As 9785

Persian

0930-1100 ME/As 11795
1600-1700 Me/As 9530

Russian

1400-1500 As/Eu 9410

Spanish

0200-0300 Am/sEu 9410 9650
1730-1830 Am/sEu/Af 9495

Tatar

1100-1130 Rus/As 15360

Turkish

0100-0300 As 6000
0500-0700 Am/Eu/As 9700 9820
0700-1000 NE/ME/As 11925
0700-1300 As 15480
0700-1400 Eu/Am 15350
1400-1700 Eu/Am 11815
1700-2200 Eu/Af/As 5980 6120

Turkmen

1300-1330 Ne/Me/As 11965

Urdu

1300-1400 Me/As 11985

Uyghur

0300-0400 Me/As 9460
1330-1430 Me/As 13685

Uzbek

1130-1200 Me/As 13625

(TRT freq sorted from file by Wolfgang Bueschel wwdxc BC-DX TopNews
Oct 21, re-arranged into language order by Alan Roe, dxldyg via DXLD)

** TURKS & CAICOS. Nothing moving in the T & C. I'm told RVC [530 kHz]
has a 100 kW transmitter on South Caicos but no new tower site yet.
The are still running the low long wire (toaster element). (Jerry
Kiefer, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. Thanks to observations of the foreign colleagues finally
became clear that SW-broadcast of a broadcasting stations on the
territory of Ukraine ceased 31 August. Broker Broadcast Belgium (TDP),
the last customer air time on the sending centre in the Luch (Nikolaev
region), suffered a program Denge Mezopotamya and Miraya FM (for
Kurdistan and Sudan respectively) on the transmission centres in
Bulgaria (Sofia) and Bosnia-Herzegovina (Bijeljina). Note that we are
talking about "Dnieper wave" of Zaporozhye is not in the bill, don't
even know what her status is likely that something else is.

P.S. SW-broadcasts from other centers cancelled in 2010-2011,
MW-broadcasting from there at the moment of the present.

Red (Lviv region). SW-broadcasting terminated by July 1, 2011 (with
January-July from there ?????????????????? only "Voice of Russia" on
English and German languages, broadcasting Radio of Ukraine to the
North America was abolished 1.01.11 g.)

?????????? (Kharkov region). SW-the broadcasts were suspended in may
2011 year in connection with the decision to close the Ukrainian
Department of the world Radio Ukraine. The decision was soon
abolished, but the broadcasts on the SW was never resumed.

Brovary (Kyiv region). Broadcasting of UR-1 on the 5970 kHz terminated
22 February 2010 (AlexanderDyadishchev, Ukraine / ideneb-radio-dxî via
RusDX 21 Oct via DXLD)

** U K [non]. 7350-7355-7360, Oct 23 at 0611, DRM noise stronger than
Romania 7230; this is registered as BBC, 100 kW, 300 degrees via
AUSTRIA, so USward altho targeted only at W Europe, 0600-0800. I
thought they had canceled SW to Europe (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** U K. More BBC WS cuts

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/ariel/19992872>

Note reference to "Changes to the distribution of shortwave and medium
wave will be announced soon." (Chris Greenway, Oct 18, dxldyg via
DXLD) Viz.:

PETER HORROCKS SAYS WHERE THE THIRD PHASE OF CUTS WILL FALL

18 October 2012 Last updated at 12:42

Peter Horrocks: audiences to get best programming [caption]

World Service languages is to lose a further 44 posts and World Service English 25 in the third and final phase of the World Service savings plan.

In English, weekday news output will be cut by four hours, weekly documentary strands cut from four to three and arts show The Strand will close.

BBC Afghan, Burmese, Bengali and French for Africa will have fewer staff, while BBC Swahili and BBC Somali will have some production moved abroad.

Peter Horrocks, director of Global News, revealed the plans to staff on Thursday as he targets £12m savings in 2013/14.

'By making these changes, we are achieving the savings required whilst crucially, ensuring our audiences continue to receive the best programming,' he said.

Your World to close

Over the last two years, the World Service has made nearly £30m cuts, losing five language services and around 480 jobs, after the government reduced its grant-in-aid by 16%.

Key changes to come at WS English include a reduction in weekday news output from 18 to 14 hours and a new programme The Newsroom to replace World Briefing.

The Strand will end with arts coverage to be picked up by existing programmes like Outlook, which is being extended to an hour-long format, as well as by new show The Slot, an hour long programme dedicated to arts and culture coverage across the BBC and the language services.

Documentary slot Your World will be decommissioned, while the number of announcers on WS English will also fall.

Dar es Salaam

While no more language services face closure, BBC Afghan, Burmese, Bengali and French for Africa will lose between one and five posts each. English Language Teaching takes the biggest hit, losing 13 posts as it ceases its commercial activity to focus on public service provision.

There will be cost-cutting schedule changes at BBC Hausa and Great Lakes, while the move of BBC Swahili radio morning production from London to Dar es Salaam and the relocation of BBC Somali's dawn transmission to Nairobi will also deliver savings.

Some backroom roles will be merged, while four posts will go in World Service Property after the move from Bush House. Changes to the distribution of shortwave and medium wave will be announced soon.

The World Service, which employs 1250 people around the world, says it will make efforts to redeploy those facing redundancy.

It will be funded by the licence fee from April 2014 (via DXLD)

The Guardian article quoted in another post would seem to indicate that further shortwave reductions will be happening for the A-13 season. I haven't digested all the B-12 BBCWS schedule on HFCC yet, but at a glance I did not see any significant cuts from A-12. (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DXLD) Viz.:

BBC WORLD SERVICE TO CUT A FURTHER 73 POSTS [totalled 69 above --- gh]
The Guardian, By John Plunkett and Josh Halliday, 18 October 2012
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2012/oct/18/bbc-world-service-73-posts>

A further 73 posts will be lost at the BBC World Service following its cut in funding by the government with a number of programmes on its English-language service axed.

The cuts, which were announced to staff on Thursday lunchtime, are the third phase of £42m of savings at the global broadcaster after its budget was cut in the government's comprehensive spending review in 2010.

A total of 25 jobs will go on the English-language service with arts show The Strand to be axed and World Briefing replaced by a new programme, The Newsroom. News coverage will shrink from 18 to 14 hours a day during the week, with a "simplified" schedule and "fewer regional variations".

The number of documentaries will also shrink, from four weekly strands to three, with Your World axed, and Evan Davis's The Bottom Line no longer aired on the World Service.

None of the 27 foreign-language services will be dropped in the latest round of cutbacks, saving about £12m, which will come into effect by April next year. Some £30m of cost savings have already been made.

Arts coverage will transfer to Outlook, which will be extended by an hour, and a new programme, The Slot, featuring "performance, special programmes and bespoke series".

Compulsory redundancies at the World Service led to two walkouts by staff last year. The BBC said the 73 post closures were a reduction on their original estimate of more than 100.

A total of about 1,250 people work at the World Service worldwide.

The number of specialist announcers on the World Service England language service will be cut and a new management team will be created combining distribution, channel management and commissioning.

A total of 44 posts will be closed in foreign-language services including BBC Afghan, BBC Burmese, BBC Bengali and in Africa.

The director of BBC Global News, Peter Horrocks, said: "By making these changes, we are achieving the savings required whilst crucially, ensuring our audiences continue to receive the best programming.

"As we prepare to move to licence fee funding, by focussing on key strategic objectives, we will be able to demonstrate that we have clear direction and purpose and are as efficient as possible."

The NUJ general secretary, Michelle Stanistreet, said: "These job cuts fly in the face of the new director general's commitment to sustaining quality programming at the BBC.

"The World Service is prized around the world ñ slashing journalistic jobs and cutting programmes is a terrible assault on a much-loved institution that provides a lifeline to listeners around the world.

"Instead of pressing on with these cuts, George Entwistle should be taking the opportunity to rethink the approach of his predecessor, and seize the chance to push for a renegotiation of the licence fee settlement.

"The deal, clinched behind closed doors in 2010, froze the licence fee and foisted an additional £340m of spending commitments on the BBC, setting the corporation on a path of decline that threatens our world-acclaimed public service broadcaster ñ it's time for a fresh start and a real commitment to quality programming and journalism." (via Mike Terry, Oct 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

You have to wonder if there's going to be anything left of BBCWS in a few years:

BBC TO AXE FURTHER 73 WORLD SERVICE JOBS AS DAILY PROGRAMMING IS
SLASHED

<http://www.independent.co.uk/arts-entertainment/tv/news/bbc-to-axe-further-73-world-service-jobs-as-daily-programming-is-slashed-8216442.html>
(via Sandy Finlayson, swprograms via DXLD)

Maybe they ought to just shut the whole thing down. The Brits are proving that one can't cut oneself to prosperity and excellence, as austerity worsens instead of ameliorating the economic condition of the nation. The WS is a shadow of its former self, is no longer a separate entity as far as news and creative content are concerned and has willingly compromised and yielded its vaunted (and once richly deserved) reputation.

It's all about resource distribution and priorities and -- unfortunately, there as well as here -- leaders are proving sorely incapable of confronting the amassing of huge fortunes by a very small number of individuals and entities as they rend the post WWII social contract that brought true prosperity on a theretofore unprecedented scale (albeit not universally).

There are plenty of resources to be recouped and marshaled in the interests of preserving and extending that social contract. They're just in too few and, in far too many instances, the wrong hands -- while the social contract that permitted the building of such great public institutions like the BBC is being unilaterally rewritten by what amounts to a relatively tiny oligarchical class that has largely effectively bought off the presumably representative governments that should be keeping them in check (John Figliozi, Halfmoon, NY, Oct 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Dixit (gh)

> Maybe they ought to just shut the whole thing down.

Indeed it appears to be their main concern to avoid this scenario and save their own job positions. See the internal mail quoted at <http://kimelli.nfshost.com/index.php?id=13824>

Btw, I understand that the "changes" (they have to be thrashed for this Orwellian Newspeak they consistently use for cuts) to SW/MW transmissions that "will be announced soon" were not subject of the plannings for the B13 season yet.

> The Brits are proving that one can't cut oneself
> to prosperity and excellence

I find it even more impressing in Greece, and I wonder if they will eventually cut themselves -- or no, will be cut, straight into the next dictatorship. A German newspaper commentator recently remarked on

a Dragi statement: The Euro is irreversible -- democracy is not.
(Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

You have to wonder if there's going to be anything left of the British government in a few years.

"Your World" is simply a renaming of one of the weekly documentary series - which had previously been cut from three concurrent series to two last year. Now it would appear there's just one.

"The Bottom Line" also airs on BBC Radio 4 -- in the past, the World Service cut their airing of programs that continued on Radio 4 - such as "Crossing Continents". Interesting to see if The Bottom Line continues there.

Swapping out "World Briefing" for "Newsroom" seems to be a wash; they dropped the similarly titled "World Today" for "Newsday" a few months ago.

I rarely listened to "The Strand" so I can't speak to its loss.

Perhaps it's the "World" in the title that's the problem. If so, does that mean the service will get a new name, such as the "BBC News Service"? After all, that's sort of what it's increasingly become (Richard in Allentown, PA, Cuff, Oct 19, swprograms via DXLD)

BBC INTERNAL MEMO OUTLINES YEAR THREE CUTS AND CHANGES TO THE BBC
WORLD SERVICE --- The SWLing Post By Thomas 19 October 2012
<http://swling.com/blog/author/thomas-2/>

This BBC internal memo sent to employees outlines pending cuts and changes in much greater detail than those presented by the press. Here is the memo in its entirety:

"Dear colleagues

Today we are announcing Year 3 Savings from the 2010 Comprehensive Spending Review settlement for the World Service.

We took quick action last year to deliver the bulk of the required savings immediately after funding cuts were announced in 2010. As a result, we have already achieved nearly £30m of our £42m three-year savings target. However, this still leaves £12m of savings for 2013/14, the final year of Grant-in-Aid funding.

We will be making changes to programming, staffing, scheduling and distribution. We have tried to avoid job losses wherever possible. Of the £12m savings, a significant £4.8m will be achieved via reductions

in shortwave and medium wave distribution, details of which will be announced next week. However, it is impossible to make cuts of this scale without impacting on jobs and the plans announced today will result in 73 post closures. Affected teams and individuals have, of course, already been informed and we will work with them to help them through this.

The main changes today are as follows:

WS ENGLISH

- * We are simplifying the World Service English global schedule to have fewer regional variations, creating a more coherent offer which we can also promote and cross-trail more effectively. Being able to link together all the programmes in an hour will also make it easier to fit our content into partner stations' schedules.

- * A new programme, The Newsroom, will replace World Briefing. This new programme will be live and reactive and it will showcase the best of our Newsgathering presence across English and WS Languages. There will be six editions of The Newsroom across the schedule, with World Have Your Say and The Newsroom coming together each day at 11:00 and 11:30 BST, a prime spot in the schedule.

- * Schedule changes mean fewer full hours of news output ñ down from about eighteen hours each weekday to about fourteen hours. As a result, there will be post closures in WS News. Further savings will be found in WS News through efficiencies and by integrating some functions across BBC News. In addition, there will be some reductions in Newsgathering, resulting in some post closures.

- * World Service English is also creating a smaller single management team working across distribution, channel management and scheduling. There will be a reduction in the number of specialist announcers on WS English.

- * From April, we will close our daily arts programme, The Strand, and at the same time extend Outlook to an hour long format, offering a new approach to covering Arts, Music and Humanities. A daily 10 minute section will look at the people behind the world of music, entertainment, film and the performance arts.

Every Friday, The 5th Floor will run in the Outlook time slot. The move of this programme to a more prominent slot in the schedule is an indication of its success after less than a year on air and it is a great way of bringing the work of our Language Services to an English audience. The 5th Floor will include a 10 minute arts segment drawn from the Language services' coverage across the week.

We are also making space in the schedule for The Slot: an hour long programme dedicated to arts and culture coverage across the BBC and the Language Services.

These scheduling changes will enable a significant saving, but will ensure that arts coverage maintains prominence and relevance on the World Service, while making best use of our connections across Languages and the broader BBC.

- * There will be a reduction in the number of documentaries: instead of having four weekly documentary strands, we will now have three with Your World ending. There will be no post closures as a result of this change.

- * Bottom Line will no longer be reversioned for the World Service. Again, this will not result in post closures.

These changes in WS English will result in the closure of 25 posts.

WS LANGUAGES

Year 3 savings affect those Services which were not required to make changes in Years 1 and 2 of the Spending Review settlement.

- * There will be a change in the editorial purpose and remit for the English Language Teaching team. For the last four years, the team has been asked to earn revenue from commercial sources. In the future, the team will focus on public service provision. This change in remit will result in post closures.

- * There will be post closures in BBC Afghan, BBC Burmese, BBC Bengali, and French for Africa. In some services, this will be mitigated by the creation of new posts in bureaux overseas driven by new editorial and operational considerations.

- * A number of currently vacant posts in the Near East hub, African English, BBC Swahili and BBC Brasil will not be filled and will therefore close.

- * In 2013, BBC Swahili morning radio production will move to Dar es Salaam, and the dawn transmission for BBC Somali will move to Nairobi. This will deliver savings for these two services. One vacant Swahili post will close. There will be no impact on Somali posts.

- * BBC Hausa and Great Lakes will be making changes to their schedules to deliver savings. There will be no impact on posts.

The changes to WS Languages, including a few extra post closures outside the UK to be announced at a later stage, will result in 44 post closures.

In addition to the above, now that we have moved out of Bush House, we will be closing four posts in WS Property.

Despite financial pressures, we have continued to adapt our services in response to changes in our audiences and this strategy will continue. We have already seen the successful launch of new TV programmes, Focus on Africa in English for partners and on BBC World News, and Dira Ya Dunia in Swahili, carried by partner broadcasters across sub Saharan Africa. We plan to develop similar programmes in Hindi and Urdu and hope to be able soon to announce a successful conclusion of negotiations with our partners on this new programming.

As we prepare to move to Licence Fee funding, we will be able to demonstrate that the World Service remains strong despite the funding cuts of recent years, is more efficient than ever, and remains a vital force in today's complex media world. As the new Director General stated in his opening address to staff, he is very supportive of the World Service, as is the BBC Chairman. No doubt, following two major reductions in two years to the size of the World Service, many of you will have questions about its future.

Before 2014, the BBC Trust will prepare a licence describing the purpose, remit, strategy and budget of the World Service in the Licence Fee. The Trust will consult and publish on this licence ahead of transfer to the Licence Fee. This licence will be the key document that will, from April 2014, govern the size, shape and character of the future World Service. All World Service staff will have the opportunity to share their views with the Trust and this will include opportunities to hear from and question individual Trustees.

As I said above, the changes we are announcing today do impact on individuals and teams. We have notified the NUJ and BECTU of these proposals and will consult both them and staff affected so that we can look for ways to reduce the number of compulsory redundancies where possible. I know you will all be supportive of your colleagues through what will be a difficult time and I and the World Service management team will do all that we can to help them through this.

Peter " (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Interesting that the shortwave reductions are being announced just a few days before the start of the B-12 season. Perhaps a lot of those HFCC registrations will turn wooden. This might be the beginning of the "two morning hours, two evening hours" pattern that we saw in the

final days of BBCWS to the Americas and Western Russia. BBCWS has made cuts in mid-season before, so who knows when the axe will actually fall (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see CYPRUS

** U K [non]. 17510, Oct 18 at 1258, B-B-C- chimes on very poor signal, 1259 opening sounded sorta Slavic, timesignal. It's the Uzbek service via CYPRUS, 300 kW, 57 degrees at 1300-1330, and might well have been hit by ChiCom jamming had I listened a bit longer. There was a mixture of signals on // 21590 a few minutes later (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Cyprus site to close next year: next DXLD

This morning I tuned the BBC World Service transmission in English on 11750 kHz at 1245 GMT via Nakhon Sawan, Thailand, a distance of 8950 miles from Dallas. The signal was strong & clear, registering a steady 6 to 7 out of 10 on my S-Meter. It was an absolutely facinating report (of a kind that the BBC traditionally does best) about a promising breakthrough by Oxford University scholars to translate or decipher an ancient language 5000 years old. The primitive writing system images are cut into clay tablets from a Bronze Age society in what would be modern southwest Iran. It is the world's oldest undeciphered language & the Oxford scholars believe they are on the verge of decoding it. It is a longtime project by the Ancient World Research group located at Oxford. Through use of the internet the writing system images will be made available to scholars all over the world who will help with the translating process. Congratulations to the BBC for this excellent report which represents the best kind of programming still available on shortwave radio. (Grayson Watson; Dallas, TX using a Sangean 909x with an Apex 700DTA active antenna, Oct 24, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** U K. ANALOGUE TELEVISION DISAPPEARS FROM UK AIRWAVES

The Guardian, By John Plunkett, 24 October 2012

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2012/oct/24/analogue-television-switchover-northern-ireland?newsfeed=true>

As television finales go, it may not have generated the viewer anticipation of the last episodes of Seinfeld or Friends. But 76 years of television history came to an end at midnight on Wednesday when the analogue TV signal was switched off in Northern Ireland.

It completed the UK's five-year digital switchover process, at a cost of more than £1bn, that began in the Cumbrian town of Whitehaven in 2007 and was first mooted by the then culture secretary Chris Smith in 1999.

Dire predictions of "TV blackout chaos" ñ one of the more sensational newspaper headlines that greeted the plan ñ failed to materialise.

Digital UK, the body responsible for co-ordinating the switchover and information campaign that accompanied it, said it had delivered on time and under budget.

It was not entirely without a hitch – a new transmitter system caught fire, unfortunately for Digital UK in the Oxfordshire constituency of broadcasting minister, Ed Vaizey. Normal service was resumed after a break in transmission lasting a few hours.

"Clearly television is a very popular thing and getting it wrong would have been very public," said David Scott, chief executive of Digital UK.

The potentially tricky switchover process was aided by advances in small screen technology, not just from analogue to digital but flat screen, high definition and 3D sets which encouraged people to buy new TVs rather quicker than they once might.

"We were working with the grain of the market," said Scott, who acknowledged that there was a small percentage of viewers who would quite happily have stuck with five – or in areas without Channel 5, four – analogue TV services.

But viewers should not rest easy in their armchairs quite yet. The switchoff of the analogue signal has opened up the airwaves for the fourth generation of mobile phone services, or 4G, which is expected to arrive in the UK by next summer and will raise up to £4bn for the government.

However, the new era of mobile phone communication could interfere with the digital TV signal to nearly 2 million homes around the country watching on Freeview.

The cost of switchover to the government, licence fee payers and commercial broadcasters was put at more than £1bn, including a £630m bill for converting more than 1,000 transmitters across the UK from analogue to digital.

How much it has cost consumers is harder to evaluate. Media regulator Ofcom estimated that switchover would cost each household an average of £132. But it is difficult to differentiate between homes which would have upgraded anyway and people who were forced to switch to digital because their analogue sets no longer worked.

Olympian Dame Mary Peters was given the job of flicking the switch in Divis, Co Antrim to shut down the final analogue signal in Northern Ireland, 76 years after the first regular TV service began on 2 November 1936 when the BBC broadcast from Alexandra Palace in north

London. Switchover also rang the death knell for the BBC's analogue on-screen text service, Ceefax.

Digital UK will return £74m of its £201m communications budget to the government, while the BBC is expected to return nearly half the £600m fund it was given to help the elderly and disabled convert their sets.

The task of converting the nation's radio listening to digital now takes prominence. Estimates put the number of analogue radio sets, that would be rendered redundant, at 100m.

As the nation bids farewell to analogue TV, the fate of one of switchover's central characters is undecided. The rights to Digit Al, the odd-looking mascot voiced by former Little Britain star Matt Lucas, will revert to the BBC when Digital UK winds up, said the switchover body.

It remains to be seen whether he will be resurrected in the style of the ITV Digital monkey, who proved more popular than the platform he was promoting and found a new life as the face of PG Tips.

One thing is for certain ñ he is no longer a digital guy living in an analogue world (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD; and via Ray T Mahorney, DXLD)

Nice bit of propaganda, but one technical point which might have been handled better was the absolute failure of Ofcom to standardise Freeview box output which in turn might have lead to far less land-fill of ground-up TV circuit panels (in many cases 'rare' metals were not recovered as councils had no facilities) had a simple modulator circuit (similar to VHS Recorders) provided RF output to older , still running perfectly, TV receivers - instead only a few , rather dearer , free to air digital receiver boxes provided this facility considerable savings would have been made to the licence payer. There were and are separate modulators with scart in RF out on the market but TV quality (picture & sound) from these is questionable for the £15 to £25 they cost.

The viewing public were led by the nose the main thing seemingly to assist sales of foreign made (not even British) TV's. So viewers up to now quite happy with just 5 station analogue but with only the normal aerial socket - no scart, were in general forced to either use an otherwise redundant VHS Recorder between their (scart output only) Freeview box and TV set RF belling-lee aerial input socket or buy a neater but arguably less viewer friendly (try watching it at 45 degrees to the screen face!) flat screen model (the salesman again thanking H.M.Government for the government imposed change) a large screen, impressive but very expensive, LCD or plasma (complete with

interference to neighbours FM!).

Some TV buyers were literally 'conned' into having a brand new 'golden angel' aerial because even reputable installers were ably assisted by a deliberately weaker signal put out by transmitters so as not to upset the doomed analogue pictures. Of course you might turn to Sky (whose latest box has only scart output not RF) or Virgin (whose much advertised TiVio has no RF output) so the digital TV revolution has added 'better quality' (sic) TV ?? - if you can afford a new one - loads of redundant TV sets that worked perfectly, but now are landfill so hardly environmental friendly, shovelled into great big holes or used as base for new roads.

This didn't happen when ITV came and b/w VHF 405 line tellies had to be converted or a set top Clydon two valve band 3 tuner added, the change from 405 line VHF to 625 line UHF was fazed in over years using BBC 2 as a carrot , even colour was by no means forced on us, but this digital - never mind the programme quality, feel the number of stations - certainly was (Rog Parsons (BDXC 782), Hinckley, Leics. BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

As usual hacks not getting all the facts right. Whitehaven was not the first place to switch over. That distinction belongs to the small Welsh village of Ferryside a few years earlier.

I personally don't believe switchover "has opened up the airwaves for the fourth generation of mobile phone services". That would have happened anyway and the top few TV channels taken anyway. I'm not convinced about the interference issues either.

The closing down of Ceefax was a BBC decision and nothing to do with switchover. Other countries have retained their teletext services after switchover as the UK should have done being the inventor of the service.

The Irish analogue service also closed at 10am today and was carried live with a celebrity clicking a mouse to close all transmitters. Unfortunately she fluffed the countdown and clicked the mouse 2 seconds early with the result the local monitors went off but the transmitters carried on for another 2 seconds. So clearly that was rigged and they would have gone off without her help.

A few emotional points here. Early Freeview boxes did indeed have RF modulators, but they were dropped as the number of non scart TV's became very small. When box specifications are controlled by a quango, you end with things like the awful OnDigital box software, and the awful Sky EPG [electronic programme guide?]. Many people I have spoken to want to change that ugly box in the corner for a modern flat screen

and DSO is just a catalyst to persuade the other half even if a suitable Freeview box is available.

The analogue network was designed around 4 channels; squeezing in Ch 5 was a compromise and to add DTT was an even bigger compromise necessitating lower powers until analogue switch off. The powers now are similar to the old analogue though measured in a different way so the numbers are smaller (Gareth Foster, UK, *ibid.*) SEE ALSO IRELAND

** U S A. VOA DIRECTOR DAVID ENSOR WILL SPEAK AT HARVARD: "TAKING AMERICAN PUBLIC DIPLOMACY VIRAL." Posted: 24 Oct 2012

John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University: "David Ensor, Director of Voice of America and former CNN National Security correspondent will analyze how public diplomacy is changing and must adapt to altering media consumption patterns. Ensor was sworn in as the 28th Director of the Voice of America on June 16, 2011. He joined VOA after an extensive career in journalism and communications. Most recently he served as Director of Communications and Public Diplomacy at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan. As Director of VOA, Ensor oversees a worldwide multimedia operation broadcasting in 43 languages, reaching an estimated 141 million people each week via radio, television, mobile, and the Internet. ... Location: Bell Hall, Belfer Building. Date: Thursday, October 25, 2012. Time: 4:15 PM." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

VOA and other entities of the Broadcasting Board of Governors are often considered part of US public diplomacy. Some of us prefer to categorize public diplomacy and international broadcasting and separate, complementary, and occasionally adversarial activities. PD officially represents and advocates for US policies. IB is government-funded journalism which, to be credible, must be independent. (The difference between PD and IB is explained on page 3 of the 2002 Broadcasting Board of Governors annual report. See also comments by former BBG member Ted Kaufman in the USC PD Magazine, Summer 2011.)

Explaining why the US government should pay for a news organization whose content it does not control, and how that is done, is slightly difficult to explain, but the Harvard audience might get it. (I attempted my own explanations in New York Times op-eds in 2007 and 2002.)

Indeed, US international broadcasting would better be accomplished -- if possible -- by the private sector. In the absence of government funding, questions about government control over content would no longer directly apply. This is why CNN's recently announced partnership in a Pakistani Urdu-language channel, and the New York Times' interest in adding language versions (Chinese and Portuguese

already) are so interesting. If this pattern continues, government-funded USIB can step aside and concentrate on languages with less commercial potential.

Another topic that might come up during the event is why both VOA and a Radio Free station broadcast in Russian, Persian, Mandarin, Tibetan, Burmese, Korean, etc. There is no good way to explain this, and any attempt to do so could befuddle even this group. (There might be the temptation to state that the Radio Free station transmits only news about the target country, while VOA limits itself to US and general world news, but such a description would be complicated by the fact that it is false. Besides, why force the audience to tune in two US stations to get complete news coverage?)

Discussing the "altering media consumption patterns" will also pose a challenge. In the shortwave era, VOA was one of about five stations with global transmission capability. In the internet age, VOA finds itself with hundreds or even thousands of competitors. In the social media, the 141 million mentioned above are now competitors. VOA has developed a mobile internet capability, which means its transmission capability now matches that of a typical 16-year-old. Comprehensive, reliable, credible news remains VOA's distinguishing feature. It is really the only thing that will allow VOA to rise above the noise and to go "viral." (Kim Andrew Elliott, *ibid.*)

** U S A [non]. SRI LANKA: 7555, Voice of America; 2132-2145+, 24-Oct; The Making of a Nation in Special English; feature on mass media & entertainment in the U.S. 1930s. Must be advanced Special English -- didn't recognize it as such till announcement at 2144. SI0=3+33+ with splash for India on 7550, // 11670. EiBi & Aoki both show via Sri Lanka, just switching from Kuwait at 2130 -- I wonder? (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 25950/FM, KOA Denver CO, studio relay; 1437-1444+, 15-Oct; 8-50 KOA; Accu-weather Center; Traffic & weather together every 10 minutes; Art Johnson sports. In/out but with very good peaks. First time heard here since July. No sign of either Fort Worth TX relays.

25950/FM, KOA Denver CO studio link; 2155-2207+, 23-Oct; Dave Logan sports call-in show; 2200 "8-50 KOA, This is Colorado's election HQ", into local news/traffic/Accu-weather (snow tomorrow night) VGood peaks. Not there at 1530 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Hello there, We would like your permission to add "Glenn

Hauser's World of Radio" to our program schedule. We would like to add it at 6 a.m. Saturday mornings, part of our two-hour "Shortwave Hours" with the "Rain Report," "The Shortwave Report," and "Amateur Radio Newsline." It would air both on free103point9 Online Radio and WGXC 90.7-FM in the Hudson Valley in New York. Cheers, (Tom Roe
free103point9: transmission arts <http://www.free103point9.org> to gh,
via DXLD)

Hi Tom, Fine. What time would it be on exactly? I only ask that:

you be responsible for downloading the latest edition, from
<http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html>
Which is usually available late Wednesdays, sometimes by Thursday
midday

Air it intact rather than excerpting
Notify me of any changes in scheduling.

Would you be ready to start this week? Regards, (Glenn Hauser, WORLD
OF RADIO, ibid.)

Glenn, Yes, on all of that. 6 a.m. Saturdays. Thanks, (Tom Roe, ibid.)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1639 monitoring: ready in time for first
broadcast on WRMI, UT Thursday Oct 18 at 0330: confirmed on webcast,
but 9955 blocked by wall-of-noise jamming; tnx a lot, Arnie!

Further chances on WRMI: Sat 0800, 1500, 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730,
Mon 0500, Tue 1100.

On WTWW: Thu 2100 on 9479; UT Sun 0200 on 5085 = NEW, heard last week
but may be experimental; UT Sun 0400 on 5755

On WWRB: UT Fri 0330v on 5050
On Area 51 via WBCQ: UT Sat 0130v on 5110v-CUSB
On HLR 7265: Sat 0630 & 1630

On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830

5050, UT Friday Oct 19 at 0330, monitoring for WORLD OF RADIO on WWRB:
``Amen & amen`` at 0331:17 from the SC preacher, then dead air until
0334:51 hum starts and soon Capt. Dave's ``special announcement``
about opening up winter frequencies 3215/3195 to N & S America, time
available at half the price charged by [WWCR] on 90 meters. Phone 931-
728-6087, or consult <http://www.wwrb.org>

Another humpause, and finally at 0336:57 WOR 1639 playback starts with
good modulation. I hope 5050 was kept on the air at least until 0406

for the rest of WOR. Couldn't get the webfeed to play this time; it normally cuts to KJVB at 0400 sharp even if WOR is running late.

The 3215/3195 announcement probably means that 3195 will soon replace 5050 for WOR and everything else after 0200 [and of course off-DST timeshift to one hour later from November, WOR to 0430- UT Fridays].

Further WOR 1639 airings:

UT Saturday 0130v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB

UT Saturday 0630 & 1630 on Hamburger Lok.lradio 7265

UT Saturday 0800, 1500, 1730; Sunday 0800, 1530, 1730; Monday 0500;

Tuesday 1100 on WRMI 9955

UT Sunday 0200 on WTTW-2 5085 (experimental?), Sunday 0400 on WTTW-1 5745

Tuesday 0930 on HLR 5980 (reconfirmed altho missing last week)

Saturday & Sunday 1730, Sunday 0830 on WRN via SiriusXM 120

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3193, WWRB ñ Manchester TN, 0245, in English. Man preaching; about 1 second ahead of 5050. ID, announcement of being on 3195 and ad for air time available on 3195 & 5050. Off frequency. Good. 10/19/12. On 3195 the next night (Mark Taylor, Madison WI, Microtelecom Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grundig G5 & Satellit 800; EWE, Flexenna, 40 meters dipole, NASWA Flashsheet via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD)

WORLD OF RADIO 1639 monitoring: confirmed on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB, starting about on time at 0130 UT Saturday October 20; good signal.

Next, on WRMI 9955: Sun 0500, 1530, 1730, Mon 0500, Tue 1100

On WTTW: UT Sunday 0200 on 5085 (last week appeared, experimentally?) and UT Sunday 0400 on 5755

WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830

9990, UT Sunday Oct 21 at 0102, WTTW-2 QSY announcement by Ted Randall to 5085, and 9990 off at 0103*; by 0104, 5085 is running, sounds like Rod Hembree's Good Friends Radio Network, formerly heard on SW only via WBCQ 9330. I assumed this would be on the rest of the hour, as last week WORLD OF RADIO was reported to have run at 0200. However, at 0143 recheck, WOR was already well underway, and must have started this week about 0132, since at 0200, just as at the end I was mentioning that last week we were on at 0200, I am interrupted (or rather talked over) by an automatic TOH canned ID. Once WOR finished, that ID played again, and then at 0202 'Amateur Radio Newsline' #1836.

So is 0130 UT Sundays the nominal time for WOR on 5085?

WOR's original 0400 UT Sunday time on WTTW-1 continued, on 5745.

Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, was hearing 5085 on the air from 0430 until a

very late 0705 UT Oct 21.

WORLD OF RADIO 1639 monitoring: 9955, Oct 22 at 0522, the UT Monday 0500 WRMI broadcast is at more or less equal level with the DentreCuban pulse jamming, first one atop, then the other. Tnx a lot, Arnie! Another airing is Tuesday at 1100.

Also on Hamburger Lokalradio, Germany, Tuesday at 0930 on 5980 via Kall. Thomas V`lkner confirms this is still on the air, but for the last time as the contract ends with the A-12 season. 7265 broadcasts on Saturday via Goehren will continue in B-12 at the same UT, 0630 and 1630 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO in B-12: WRN is making some schedule changes: the Africa/Asia/Pacific service which has been carrying WOR Saturdays at 0800, is replaced by Sunday 1500 UT effective October 28.

The North American service Saturday 1730 broadcast makes the usual off-DST shift to 1830 UT as from November 10, but the other two broadcasts are canceled. This also applies to WRN via SiriusXM 120, so no longer aired there Sundays at what would have been 0930 and 1830 UT. Thus we also must also say goodbye to listeners via the only two US stations known to be relaying WRN overnight, WXPB in Wisconsin and KSFC in Washington.

WRN, which originally required WOR to run 28:43 minutes, also need it to be 29:00 from next week, and I hope this will not cause any problems for all our other affiliates. If they need to edit something out, the final propagation outlook should be sufficient (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7506.4, Oct 18 at 0347 check, WRNO is still gone again (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) But later back again

** U S A [and non]. 15420, WBCQ Monticello ME; 2051-2100:17*, 19-Oct; English huxtress (the sing-song Aggressive Christianity huxtress?) on a roll, sucking wind between phrases and on the verge of hysteria; "We are desperately wicked." "We are liars!" "We see our ugliness, and we see how hideous we are." (How inspirational!) Huxtress rudely interrupted at 2059 with WBCQ Free Speech Radio ID and closing announcements; finished with "The Samuel S. Weiner Memorial, International, Broadcast Station." SIO=454 till 2057+ when a hum came up suddenly. Transmitter problems at Monticello? After s/off, heard weak Rock of Ages, then M in Chinese. Possibly AWR KSDA Guam (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15610, Oct 20 at 1835, no signal from WEWN English transmitter. The two Spanish outsenders are still going, 12050 stronger than 13830, the latter the squealer. Not due to propagation since 15825 WWCR was VG.

Also 15615, Oct 21 at 1302, weak carrier on and off and on and off, presumably WEWN attempting to start up English service on 19m; Still nothing at 1333, tho Spanish 11550 was good and 12050 squealing.

15610, Oct 21 at 1915, WEWN English, missing in the morning, is back on with a vengeance, huge signal accompanied by spur hash field out to plus/minus 20 kHz, peaking at plus/minus 9 and 18 kHz, i.e. forcing us to sidetune above 15630 for Greece.

15615, Oct 21 at 1358, WEWN English is missing again, an hour after it was supposed to start here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15385, Oct 20 at 1835 check, no sign of KJES NM for its scheduled 18-20 UT broadcast; still hear it most of the time in the mornings on 11715, evenings on 7555 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9825, UT Sunday Oct 21 at 0410, poor signal with flutter from WHRI, Chris Lobdell during 'Pirating with Cumbre', and still at 0425 playing a (studio?) clip from some pirate. However, this must have been a 'DXing with Cumbre' repeat, since earlier in the week Marie Lamb had notified the dxingwithcumbre yg that because of yet another technical problem at WAER/WCNY where she works, she would not be able to produce a show this week. I wonder if she ever DXes herself, as it seems most of DWC is turned over to Chris and some downunderite (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9980, Oct 21 at 1308, WWCR-4 with Brother Scare is not on the air, as it has been the past week from 1200; maybe just a Sunday variation (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see SOUTH CAROLINA

** U S A [non]. AWR INCREASES BROADCASTS IN KEY LANGUAGES

Radio Watch October 19, 2012

<http://sw-radio.blogspot.co.uk/2012/10/awr-increases-broadcasts-in-key.html?spref=fb>

Last week, Adventist World Radio's board of directors voted the ministry's 2013 budget, which includes a significant increase in shortwave airtime for the new broadcast season, at a cost of well over half a million dollars. Currently, AWR is scheduled to broadcast for 27,177 hours in 2012; next year, the schedule will expand by 5,200 hours ñ an increase of nearly 20 percent.

iWe are able to make this welcome change thanks to several years of solid financial stability,i says AWR president Dowell Chow. iIn years past, we were forced to reduce the frequency of programs for some languages, due to financial constraints. We are very, very pleased that now we will be able not only to restore some of those programs, but also add new languages for some key territories.i

The additional broadcasts will be spread over 21 languages ñ such as Amharic, Somali, Panjabi, and Urdu ñ for listeners in Africa and Asia. These languages were chosen in close consultation with AWRís Africa and Asia region directors, who identified the areas of most need and highest priority. In some cases, the frequency of some programs will be increased from half an hour per day to twice a day, while for other languages, the program length will be doubled from half an hour to a whole hour.

iDelivering as many programs as possible to listeners every day is the core purpose of AWR,i Chow says, iand we are very grateful to God that we are able to expand this ministry wider and wider so that more people can hear the gospel in these languages.i (Source : AWR)
(via Mike Terry, Oct 19, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. 15195, WYFR Family Radio, Okeechobee FL [sic; this is via ASCENSION]; 2050-2059:37*, 17-Oct; Family Radio, the sound of the new life; Basic Bible Study with the late Bro. Henry van Dyke -- traditional huxterage re sinning & saving -- said Christianity was the only religion with an answer to the sin problem; off with Horn of Okeechobee music. SI0=4+54 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. From 1800 UT Accept "Herald of Christian Science" in Russian 9585 kHz (Wertachtal, Germany 100 kW). SINPO 55444 (Dmitry Kutuzov, Russia, deneb-radio-dx via midxb Oct 1 via BC-DX TopNews 22 Oct via DXLD)

** U S A. UNIDENTIFIED. 530, Oct 19 at 2000 UT, on caradio 10 miles N of Enid, weak but readable ID for KEC59 Wichita, NOAA Weather Radio, 162.55 MHz, from Mid-Continent Airport, but unknown site for the 530 relay, previously found to be unlisted. I have e-mailed NWR to enquire about it. Still suspect Kansas Turnpike Authority near the OK border.

Re the 530 kHz relay of NOAA Weather Radio, KEC59, Wichita: I got this reply from Robert Payton of NOAA: ``The station is located in north east part of Wichita near intersection of hwy 81 and 96. If you are on radio it is a function of the radio station not the National Weather Service``. But I am not sure if he is really referring to the location

of 530 kHz or 162.55 MHz (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 540, Oct 24 at 0530 UT, ``Kisses Don't Lie`` C&W song, Hank Williams? 0532, ``AM 540, KWMT, country music and a whole lot more``. Dominating frequency from NE/SW; where's XEWA, CBK and all the rest? Unusual to hear Fort Dodge like this in the clear at night. Both day- and the much tinier night-pattern favor the south, 5000/170 watts; maybe really on day facilities? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 710, Oct 23 at 1207 UT, KCMO Kansas City MO, ``now on FM 103.7``, another big AM station which thinx that's not enough. But FM is not new: already in NRC AM Log 2012 as of last August at latest. Opening local `KCMO Morning Show` with Greg-somebody who is anti-Obama, of course (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 720, Oct 19 at 1959 UT, weak signal on caradio talking about Chicago, so WGN, which could be either groundwave or skywave, which was already starting to show higher in the band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 910, Oct 18 at 1235 UT, just before sunrise here at 1243, ``Extra Sports 9-10`` and into Fox sports network. I figure it's probably Phoenix, and so it is per NRC AM Log: KGME, 5/5 kW, ``XTRA 910``, networks include FSR. I wonder if they are alluding to the old XETRA 690 --- was it sports for a while before becoming XEWW? KGME obviously alludes to ``game``, a better match than OKC's KGHM 1340 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 930, Oct 22 at 0531 UT, WKY OKC is more easily nulled than usual, and there is something in English quite readable at that position: ``Relevant Radio``, with item about an open house Oct 24 at St. James Hospital; then addresses mentioned in River Forest, Willowbrook, Catholic Charities, relevantradio.com --- direct searches go right to WAUR in Sandwich IL, {named for Aurora} near Chicago, and <http://relevantradio.com/about-us/stations> confirms it's the only 930 station they have, originating out of Green Bay, apparently. NRC AM Log shows night power 4.2 kW is axually more than day power of 2.5 kW, but night pattern is even more direxional north toward G.B., so would hardly expect it to occupy the WKY null way down here to the SW in OK. Is it out of whack, nondirexional perhaps? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 960, UT Sat Oct 20 at 0503, tune-in late to find this is another Fox-hole from KGWA open carrier; at 0504 ABC News cutaway to KMA AM & FM ID, first time I have heard them do this: so definitely Shenandoah, IA penetrating my local before its modulation blasted back on at 0505 (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see OKLAHOMA

** U S A. 1010, Sunday Oct 21 at 1230 UT, ``Arizona's Christian Station, KXXT`` and another ID in passing, all in English this time. Atop CCI from another gospel huxter in English, presumably 50 kW KXEN St Louis; and KXXT is surely on 15 kW day power already when the sun is just barely rising in OK, let alone Tolleson AZ far to the west, instead of 250 watt night power. FCC AM Query does not have anything about a PSRA in KXXT's Correspondence file.

1010, Oct 24 at 0615 UT, Spanish religious dramatization, from E-W, dominating frequency tho I could hear a Mexican in its null, q.v. Surely the bilingual KXXT Tolleson AZ as heard at various other times previously, and suspiciously strong despite 250 watt night power vs 15000 day power. And it's still night when heard again at 1245 UT, ads and religious announcements in Spanish concerning AZ, with 602 and 623 area codes, Phoenix, Fiesta de Sabores at an Avondale restaur·n. A slow SAH with something, probably KXEN St Louis which despite being eastward tends to take over the frequency later after sunrise here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1060, Oct 24 at 1248 UT, Spanish sports talk from E/W, about Argentina, and Argentine accent included; have to avoid KNX IBOC by side-tuning to 1062. Fade at 1252, but back stronger at 1255; 1256 ID as ESPN Deportes Radio, 1257 less IBOC noise now and into a song, 1300 ID I could not catch but followed by news about Chihuahua. ESPN Deportes operates in Argentina, Mexico, USA and some other countries, but there is no real Mexican on 1060 except XEEP in the DF. Suspect this is really KXPL El Paso TX, which funxions as a Mexistation, and is even in Cant' as 1060 KXPL Radio NET 1060 Cd. Ju·rez, Chih. (El Paso, TX) 10,000 D

Its sister station really is all-Mexican on 1490, XECJC, and on the Radio Net website we find that there *is* an ESPN Deportes connexion, but apparently not full-time programming from it, e.g.:

<http://www.radionet1490.com.mx/Programas.php?SHOWID=9>

As usual, ESPN Deportes website is no help at all in locating affiliates anywhere:

<http://espndeportes.espn.go.com>

NRC AM Log 2012 does not include ESPN Deportes for it, but KXPL is Spanish news/talk in general, on the air from 1200 UT until sunset, and altho 10 kW after sunrise, it has a PSRA for 500 watts. FCC says official October sunrise is not until 1315 UT; November, 1330. But even before 1300, this sounds more like 10 kW than 500 watts.

It's also unusual that ``three watt`` 1060, KIJN Farwell TX on another NM border is not the dominant sunrise signal here with Spanish hymns (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1190, Oct 24 at 1303 UT, ``San Antonio Rose``, then ID as ``1190 AM, K#QZ, another hour of cool country``. Loops WSE/ENE, i.e. KQQZ DeSoto MO --- St Louis market, address in Belleville IL per NRC AM Log, and it's really ``Killer country``, day power 10 kW now in effect; direxional to the southwest, close enough for here (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1370, Oct 18 at 1220 UT as I tune in, weather info, and ``13-70 KIOL, The Voice of Iola``. New; I hadn't realized there's another Kansan on 1370 besides nondirexional KGNO Dodge City. KIOL is U3, 500/58 watts with tight day and night patterns from SE Kansas aimed almost N/S, certainly unfavorable for Enid, a tight null to the WSW. I figured this was just after sunrise, but FCC AM Query says in October officially it's not until 1230; 1300 in November. NRC AM Log does not mention any PSRA. However, in the Correspondence folder we find KIOL does have pre-sunrise authority for 500 watts anyway starting at 6 AM CST/CDT yearound (not applicable in June when sunrise is earlier already). KIOL also had to overcome splatter from local KCRC 1390 on the way (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1470, Oct 24 at 1308, weather and ``WMBD News``, ``1470 WMBD``, i.e. Peoria IL, news/talk station which has somehow held on to its heritage calls until the present, and one of those post-sunrise eastward skips before D-layer builds up to block it. Day pattern is NNW/SSE but no deep nulls to the sides so we can get it like this: http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/173273-22108.pdf (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Hi Glenn, Thanks for the note. Final stages of construction on KBXD [1480 Dallas TX], should be 12 kW, non-directional the latter part of the week to start the proof. Full power testing first of the following week (Jerry Kiefer, Oct 21, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. [Re 12-42, WCKY] Curiously, I checked the schedule also. The front page of "cheesecake" is in javascript and invisible to me by default since I run the No Script addon for Firefox, and had to select the "allow (website)" tab in NS.

Nothing showing on the schedule past 10 pm. Obviously, WCKY is treating B. Stair's programming as an infomercial, something to pay the bills not unlike other infomercial/gospel huxters.

Speaking of brokered programming, KLRG [880 LR ARK] is running the noxious Alex Jones on weekday afternoons again, caught him on after 1pm CDT (1800 UT) while driving through extreme Eastern Arkansas (Snow Lake-Elaine corridor south of Helena AR).

On an unrelated note, KFFA 1360 Helena AR which normally simulcasts its FM sister station on 103.1 FM, still airs the "King Biscuit Time" blues show from 12:15pm to 12:45pm CDT (1715-1745 UT during US DST, 1815-1845 UT during late fall-winter)

http://www.kffa.com/index_temp3.cfm?CustomPageID=169
(Fritze H. Prentice, Jr KC5KBV, Star City AR EM43aw,
twitter.com/fritzehp DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1530, Oct 18 at 1223, phoner with details of school activities including Norton Junior High, i.e. KQNK, Norton KS, 1 kW. Dominating frequency, daytimer per NRC AM Log, official sunrise not until 1245 in October, but FCC AM Query shows it does have a PSRA of 63 watts starting at 1100 UT, to protect KFBK and WCKY. In May-August they get 93 or 96 watts, and only in April a hefty 500 watts. Well, this sounds like 500 if not the full 1000 watts (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 1580, Oct 18 at 1250 UT from E/W, Disney-type teeny-bopper music, no signal from OK's KOKB Blackwell which ought to be showing by now after sunrise 1243; off the air? [See OKLAHOMA]. From 1254 for the rest of the hour nothing but various Disney promotions, adult ads such as Home Depot, and frequent mentions of Radio Disney; finally at 1300 legal ID as KMIK and KMIK HD1, i.e. 50/50 kW U2 Tempe AZ. As in Mickey. Yes, it's with IBOC tho not noticed here around 1567 or 1593.

Despite dominating 1580, should still be on night pattern with three major lobes, the largest toward the SW, others to the WNW and ESE and not much toward OK. But why is there a deep null toward the NNE, protecting some defunct Canadian? Not that I can recall. Official Maricopa sunrise in Oct is 1300 UT; Nov 1400. I bet they are really on daytime 50 kW nondirectional already.

Also, in the 2005 NRC Pattern Book there is a huge overlap of circular coverage with Hermosillo, which must have made a big mess around the border, but that was when it too was 50 kW N-D. Apparently since then XEDM has been degraded to only 10 kW, and indeed it is seldom DXed any more (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KMIK 1580 R. Disney --- It's easy enough to find a Disney // here in the midwest. 1690 Denver, 1640 Milwaukee, 1260 St Louis, 1300 Chicago and even 1560 NYC.

KMIK may be stuck on day pattern for the weekend as they were unusually good last night here 55 km NW of Chicago. Normally they get buried under Oklahoma/others on the west antenna after they switch to

night pattern. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, IL, Oct 21, NRC-AM via DXLD)

Disney (//1560) was audible here at around 2330 EDT with CKDO phased down a bit. I heard KMIK several times on SSS some years ago, but this is the first time hearing them that was later than their scheduled pattern change (Barry McLarnon, VE3JF, Ottawa, ON, UT Oct 21, NRC-AM via DXLD)

At 22:15 CDT KMIK 1580 Tempe, Ariz with Radio Disney is on top of the channel.? With Quantum XQ V2.0 Loop and R8A. Unneeded here - but now is your chance east of the Mississippi (Tom Jasinski, Joliet, IL, 0321 UT Oct 21, IRCA via DXLD)

Fello DX'ers: The station on 1580 kHz heard last night was Radio Disney!? This station was all over CKDO, which is normally dominant here. Briefly they were even stronger and clearer than WQEW R. Disney on 1560!? There were frequent Radio Disney slogans, Pop music with Teenypopers calling in requests, definitely not CKDO's format. Give them a try again tonight and hope the CX were as good or better than last night (Tom Jasinski, Joliet, IL Oct 21, IRCA via DXLD)

Getting the Disney program on 1580, a beat behind the 1560 program. If KMIK, then a new one here. Is there anyone else with Disney on 1580? Thanks for the tip. Fades into CKDO and then back. Poor, but definitely the same program. If KMIK, AZ #2 here. #1 was 660 KTNN (Jim Renfrew, Holley NY, 0251 UT Oct 22, ibid.)

It's the only affiliate on 1580 for Radio Disney.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Radio_Disney#Stations
(Paul Walker, ibid.)

Hi Guys: With all the reports of Arizona being Logged on 1580 the last few nights, I decided to camp out on 1580 and try to dig out KMIK Radio Disney on the Ultralight!! I was rewarded after about 1/2 Hour of Monitoring when CKDO finally took a Dive enabling me to hear some Radio Disney programming in the Mix!! There is only ONE Radio Disney Outlet on 1580 Khz...so this has to be KMIK from Tempe, ARIZONA!!

I previously logged this Station way back on March 31 1980 when it was KNIX, a Country Station owned by Buck Owens!! Was lucky to get a Letter QSL for that reception back in 1980. So, it's not NEW for the OVERALL LOG but is a Great Catch for me on the ULTRALIGHT BAREFOOT!!! This is STATE # 43 Heard on the Ultralights!!

I was able to Parallel several of the songs up to 1560 New York - Radio Disney as well as hear some Radio Disney IDs/Promos.
RADIO USED is SONY SRF-T615 Ultralight Barefoot
ULR LOG TOTALS are now 1,023 Stations heard.

1580, KMIK, Tempe, ARIZONA, Oct/21/12, 2348 EDT, EE, POOR-FAIR, Made a 15 Minute appearance in/out mostly under CKD0. Better when CKD0 took a few deep fades!! Pop Music, song by ADELE at 2348 EDT. Able to match this and a few other Pop Songs up with 1560 Radio Disney - New York. Radio Disney IDs and a Contest Promo at 2357 EDT. Male DJ with chatter and more Disney IDs into Pop Music 0001-0005 EDT then not heard again.

RELOG NEW CALLS, EX-KNIX, But NEW to ULR #1023 (STATE # 43 for ULR) 50 KW (ROB VA3SW, Robert S. Ross, London, Ontario CANADA, IRCA via DXLD)

When playing back my 8 pm CDT recordings from last evening, I noticed Disney very strong on 1580 with fanfare and into a KMIK AM and HD ID and then a couple seconds after the hour, instantly gone when they switched patterns so it seems that they fixed the presumed non-switching problem from the weekend.

High end SSS conditions were quite good and also early night. . . 73 KAZ Barrington IL, Perseus and Double KAZ antenna 21 ft X 113 ft aimed west, UT Oct 24 (Neil Kazaross, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** U S A. QSL Chance: Radio Stations 730 WLTQ, 810 WQIZ, and 1300 WCKI will be airing Special Programming this Thursday & Friday from 9 AM until 6 PM each day. All Reception Reports with Correct Logs will be verified.

WLTQ has a Power of 5KW Non-D from Charleston SC
WQIZ has a Power of 5KW Non-D from Saint George SC
WCKI has a Power of 1KW Non-D from Greer SC
The Web Site for all 3 stations is
<http://catholicradioinnc.com>

Reception Reports may be mailed to:
Attn Kevin Raper
Mediatrix Radio SC
PO Box 905
Greer SC 29652

or you may email Reception Reports to
kraper@mediatrixsc.org

73, (Kevin Raper, KJ4HYD, CE WCKI WQIZ WLTQ, Oct 23, [tagline:] There is no limitation to the fidelity of AM radio. From a mathematical standpoint, AM does better in frequency response than FM. - Leonard Kahn --- ABDX via DXLD) I.e. it's all over now (gh)

** U S A. 88.7, listening to webcast of KRZA Alamosa CO/Taos NM, Oct 19 at 1539 UT, they mention their new 150-foot tower atop Mount San

Antonio, which is barely on the NM side of the border with CO. Previous tower in this remote location came down due to storms or fires? Now the DJ thinx they have better coverage, reaching Albuquerque and invites reports from there. Distance from site to ABQ is 120-125 miles = 195-200 km. Previously KRZA didn't reach much beyond Santa Fe where coverage was spotty in different parts of the city. FCC FM Query does not show any ACI or CCI around Albuquerque, so maybe they do have a long shot into the metropolis. But watch out for Encino's 88.7 to the ESE, which should be blocked in Albuquerque by the Manzano Range. And general overload and mixing products from Sandia Crest might block KRZA.

Apparently this means their CP is on, which called for a slightly different location, 5 seconds of latitude further north, and 3 seconds of longitude further east. The new tower is 39 meters above ground (only 128 feet), up from only 18 m. But height above mean seal level soars from 3216 to 3222 m (10,568 feet), which is about as high as Sandia Crest near Albuquerque. Height above average terrain however has descended from 633 to 628 m. Power is same, only 9.8 kW ERP. Maybe the new site happens to have a better shot toward Albuquerque as these minor changes in parameters should not make much difference otherwise.

Also mentioned that they have a new office/studio in Taos on the bypass street rather than the tourist-clogged main drag. I'm often weblistening to KRZA's 1430 UT pubaffs shows on weekdays, plus Jim Hightower at 1506 after NPR news if they can get it. But I would love to be close enough to hear them direct on 88.7 in Taos, Santa Fe or Albuquerque (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**** U S A. IOWA MAN FACES PIRATE RADIO FINE**

Radio World October 22, 2012

<http://www.rwonline.com/article/iowa-man-faces-pirate-radio-fine/216036>

Thomas Costa faces a \$10,000 fine for operating an FM signal illegally in Iowa City, Iowa. The FCC has issued a notice of apparent liability saying he ran a transmitter on 87.9 MHz.

Signals in excess of 100 μ V/m field strength at three meters are not allowed in that spectrum. Agents from the commission's Kansas City office checked out a complaint last month and traced the signal to an antenna on a residence. Accompanied by the property owner they found a non-certified FM transmitter in a locked basement room, fed with automated audio from a computer. The owner said Costa rented the basement room.

The FCC then interviewed Costa, who told them that he did indeed rent the room and install the radio equipment; but he denied operating the unlicensed station. He said several unnamed individuals owned the gear

and gave him rent money, which he gave to the property owner in turn as rent.

Mr. Costa asserted that the alleged operators of the station did not provide him with their names or contact information in order to protect him and them from the commission, according to the NAL. Mr. Costa also stated that he was told by the unnamed operators that he could expect the commission to inspect the station at some point and order him to cease operations.

In its notice, the FCC staff found that under federal law, Costa can be said to have operated the station because he exercised control over its general conduct or management despite his claim that unnamed individuals were the ones running it.

The commission also was not convinced by the story about other people being involved. We find it implausible that Mr. Costa (or anyone for that matter) would install radio equipment, rent space, allow for unlawful operations in the rented space, and incur potential financial and other liability on behalf of complete strangers. (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

So what kind of programming was on it? I'll bet it was GCN, with the ilk of Alex Jones, like on the OKC FM pirate (gh, DXLD)

** VATICAN. 17650, Oct 18 at 1301 open carrier so I leave a receiver on it; finally Somali modulation cuts on at 1308, i.e. VOA scheduled 13-14, 250 kW, 139 degrees from Santa Maria di Galeria, where they needed to wake up and get the show on when it started (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN. CBC Radio One on 11905 at 0530 UT --- Last night two nights, noticing CBC One programming being aired on 11905 with poor reception. Was able to positively ID them as the CBC One and they were relaying audio articles from other countries, including Radio Netherlands Monday 0545 as part of their CBC overnight program. They could be starting earlier than 0530, but that's the earliest I've been able to receive them. At 0600, they apparently turn off the transmitter on that frequency (Pat Blakely, Oct 22, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This transmission is supposed to be VOA Kurdish via Vatican! I have heard it carrying that previously. Must be a big mistake in feed input to the transmitter. HFCC:

11905 0500 0600 39N,40 SMG 250 114 0 618 1234567 250312 271012 D
13650 Kurdish CVA IBB IBB 18168 (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

10/23/12 at 0500 UT on 11905 and again, it's CBC One starting off with news at the top of the hour followed by a program produced by WBGH in Boston. Signal is poor making it impossible to listening cleanly to the program, nothing interfering either (Pat Blakely, ibid.)

VATICAN STATE, 11905, Some one should send a message to Bill Whitacre or Arto Mujunen at IBB, to tell that the wrong program content is switched to the VOA Santa Maria Galeria relay site. Registered 05-06 UT as VOA/IBB Kurdish like \\ 15130, also 17870 kHz from Iranawila which was heard right at 0547 UT Oct 23.

Instead noted PRI Public Radio program from CBC were broadcast at 0529 UT tune-in. Some features of Italian tribunal on Aguila earthquake in April 2009, some feature of an Iranian touristic tour on Indian Ocean, on Nepal; ID at 0554 UT and given phone number, followed by some funny piece of laughter of 1981 album, before the news at 06 UT. ID like CBC Radio 1 at 0555 UT. Backlobe of 114 degree outlet as S=9+30dB here in Germany. SMG TX OFF at 05:59:25 UT today (Wolfgang B,schel df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 23, dxldyg via DXLD)

11905, Oct 23 at 0512, something in English, poor signal; by 0524 had faded down to JBA carrier. Tnx to tip from Pat Blakely who says on Oct 21 and 22 he was hearing CBC Radio One, Overnight relaying items from other stations such as R. Netherlands, from 0530 to off at 0600, but may have started earlier.

We looked up this frequency, and it's supposed to be VOA Kurdish via Vatican! Must be a colossal feed mixup. Then on Oct 23 Pat heard it again from 0500, with CBC relaying programming from PRI. Meanwhile, Wolfgang B,schel had contacted Arto Mujunen of IBB monitoring in Finland, who replied:

``Thanks for the info. We are aware of this problem and trying to get it solved. Recent jamming by Iran and Syria targeting satellite feeds have been causing problems. 73 Arto``

So they have had to change their feed routing to other transponders or satellites, but there is still no excuse for the SW relay operators putting on a completely wrong feed, day after day. Is no one paying attention at SMG? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It's back to a foreign language (presumed Kurdish VOA) on 10/24/12 at 0500 (Pat Blakely, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11905, Oct 24 at 0513 checking whether SMG has corrected the wrong feed from CBC Radio 1 previously heard, but now only a JBA carrier; somehow improved at 0552 when it unseems English. Pat Blakely confirms

that tonight it's non-English at 0500, presumably back to correct VOA Kurdish relay, after IBB was notified about the problem by Wolfgang B. schel, and blamed the disruption on Iranian/Syrian satellite jamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The ghost of RCI, haha! Seriously, CBC Radio One is now carried on one of the Hotbird channels used by RCI until its closure as a radio station. Hotbird was obviously the source Radio Vatican used for its RCI relays, and so it's easy to guess that this was a rather ordinary switching error, possible because they still have (or had until yesterday or so) the former RCI feed on the switching matrix.

I don't see a connection to the recent uplink jamming against Hotbird signals, unless Radio Vatican had set up its system in such a way that in cases of loosing modulation on the IBB feed it switched to the former RCI feed. But it's hard to imagine that they configured it intentionally this way, because it would simply make no sense (Kai Ludwig, Oct 24, dxldyg via ibid.)

B-12 WINTER SCHEDULE OF VATICAN RADIO SHORTWAVES AND MEDIUMWAVES from Oct 28:

Amharic to ETH/ERI

0400-0415 daily	EaAF	7360SMG	13765MDC
1630-1645 daily	EaAF	13765SMG	15570SMG

Amharic/Russian/Armenian/Ukrainian (Oriental Liturgy/Campane)

0927-1050 Sun	WeEUR	11740SMG	58 / 83 / 98 degr
0927-1050 Sun	EaAF	15595SMG	49 / 89 / 121 degr
		17590SMG	72 / 98 / 130 degr

ORIENTAL RITE LITURGIES

The various Eastern liturgies are broadcast every Sunday from 0930 UT.

Byzantine-Romanian liturgy: every Sunday to Eastern Europe, and also on

January 1st, June 29th, August 15th, September 14th, December 25th.

Byzantine-Slavonic liturgy:

January 7th, January 19th, April 7th, August 28th, October 14th.

Byzantine-Ukrainian liturgy: every Sunday to Eastern Europe, and also on January 7th, January 19th, April 7th, August 28th, October 14th.

0927-1050 Sun	WeEUR	11740SMG	58 degr
0927-1050 Sun	EaEU/NE	15595SMG	49 degr
		17590SMG	72 degr

Maronite liturgy every fifth Sunday of the month.

Eastern Church to Syria, Lebanon, Cyprus, and Israel.

0927-1050	Sun	WeEUR	11740SMG	98 degr
0927-1050	Sun	EaAF	15595SMG	121 degr
			17590SMG	98 degr

Armenian liturgy: every third Sunday of the month.

0927-1050	Sun	WeEUR	11740SMG	83 degr
0927-1050	Sun	EaEU/NE	15595SMG	89 degr
			17590SMG	72 degr

Ge'ez Ethiopia-Eritrea liturgy: every first Sunday of each month.

0927-1050	Sun	EaAF	15595SMG	107 degr
			17590SMG	130 degr

Angelus [CUSCIN.+ ANN. 1050-1100 UT]

1100-1129	Sun	NoAF	17590SMG	
1100-1129	Sun	WeAF	17590SMG	
1100-1129	Sun	SoAF	21680SMG	
1100-1129	Sun	SoAS	15595SMG	
1100-1129	Sun	WeEUR	6075SMG	7250SMG 9645SMG
1100-1129	Sun	WeEUR	11740SMG	100kW 310deg
1100-1129	Sun	NoEaEUR	11740SMG	250kW 55deg
1100-1129	Sun	NE/ME	15595SMG	

Arabic

0500-0528	daily	NoAF	9645SMG	
0500-0528	daily	NE/ME	11715SMG	
0745-0805	Mon-Sat	WeEUR	6075SMG	
0745-0805	Mon-Sat	NoAF	9645SMG	
0745-0805	Mon-Sat	NE/ME	11740SMG	15595SMG
1630-1658	daily	NE/ME	9635SMG	11935SMG
2140-2159	daily	EUR/NoAF	3975usbSMG	6040SMG 146 and 234degr 7250SMG

Armenian

0310-0329	daily	CeAS	6185SMG	7335SMG
1650-1709	daily	CeAS	6185SMG	7360SMG

Belarussian

1800-1819	daily	EaEUR	6185SMG	
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Brasiliano/Portuguese

0030-0100	daily	SoAM	7305GB	
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Chinese

1227-1300	daily	EaAS	6020IRK	11865PHT 15495PUG
2200-2230	daily	EaAS	7395PHT	9600PHT 15460TIN

HOLY MASS IN CHINESE Every Saturday, at 1230-1310 UT, and on December 24th at 1600 UT.

English

0140-0159	daily	SoAS	7410TAC	9560SMG
0300-0320	daily	SoAS	15460PUG	
0300-0327	daily	CeAF	9660SMG	11625MDC
0500-0527	daily	EaSoAF	7360SMG	13765MDC
0630-0657	daily	NoWeAF	11625SMG	13765SMG
0730-0744	Mon-Sat	NE/ME	15595SMG	
1530-1549	Sun-Fri	SoAS	7585TAC	
1530-1550	Sun-Fri	SoAS	15595TIN	15775drm!SMG
1715-1729	daily	NE/ME	11935SMG	
1730-1757	daily	EaCeAF	11625SMG	13765SMG 15570SMG
2000-2027	daily	WeCeAF	11625SMG	13765SMG

English (Mass)

1130-1200	Fri	NE/ME	17590SMG	21650SMG	1530-1600 Sat
		SoAS	7585TAC	15595TIN	15775drm!SMG

HOLY MASS IN ENGLISH --- For pastoral reasons, at 1130 UT each Friday, the Holy Mass in English is broadcast mainly for immigrant catholic workers in the Middle-East and in South-East Asia. (A Mass in English is also broadcast on Saturday at 1530-1558 UT.

French

0430-0457	daily	EaCeAF	7360SMG	13765MDC
0600-0627	Mon-Sat	NoWeAF	11625SMG	13765SMG
0715-0730	Mon-Sat	NE/ME	15595SMG	
1700-1715	daily	NE/ME	11935SMG	
1700-1727	daily	EaCeAF	13765SMG	15570SMG
2030-2100	daily	WeCeAF	11625SMG	
2030-2057	daily	WeCeAF	13765SMG	

Hindi

0040-0100	daily	SoAS	7410TAC	9560SMG
0200-0220	daily	SoAS	15460PUG	
1430-1450	daily	SoAS	7585TAC	15595TIN

Indian replica (Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam, English, 20mins each)

0200-0320	daily	SoAS	15460PUG	
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Italian

0700-0715	Mon-Sat	NE/ME	15595SMG	
1300-1320	daily	NE/ME	15595SMG	
1300-1320	daily	WeCeAF	21680SMG	

Italian (Mass)

0830-0913	Sun	WeEUR	7250SMG	Bells -0927 UT
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HOLY MASS IN ITALIAN

Live from Vatican Radio's "Chapel of the Annunciation." SUNDAYS 0830

UT, January 1st, January 6th, August 15th, November 1st, December 25th.

Latin (Mass, Campanes, Bells)

0630-0659 daily WeEUR 3975usbSMG
0630-0710 daily WeEUR 6075SMG 26 and 326 deg 7250SMG
0630-0710 daily SoEaEUR/NoEaAF/NE/ME 9645SMG
0630-0710 daily NE/ME 15595SMG

Malayalam

0120-0140 daily SoAS 7410TAC 9560SMG
0240-0300 daily SoAS 15460PUG
1510-1530 daily SoAS 7585TAC 15595TIN

Papal Audience

0905-1100 Wed WeEUR 6075SMG

Portuguese

0530-0558 daily WeAF 7360SMG
0530-0558 daily CeSoAF 11625SMG 13765MDC
1800-1828 daily EaCeAF 11625SMG
1800-1830 daily EaCeAF 13765SMG
1800-1830 daily WeAF 15570SMG

Romanian (Liturgy)

0710-0727 Sun EaEUR 7250SMG 9645SMG

Rosary [extended special occasion -2010 UT]

1940-1959 daily WeEUR 3975usbSMG 6075SMG
1940-1959 daily NE/EaCeAF 9755SMG
1940-1959 daily WeAF 11625SMG
1940-1959 daily all AF 13765SMG

ROSARY IN LATIN

At the end of the day, at 1940 UT, the Rosary is broadcast in Latin, in collaboration with more than 15 secular and religious groups, and schools of Rome Occasionally also by groups of pilgrims from numerous Western and Eastern countries.

Russian

1332-1400 daily CeAS 6070TAC 9695SMG
1710-1738 daily EaEUR 6185SMG 7360SMG

HOLY MASS IN RUSSIAN

Second and fourth Sunday of the month, at 0930 UT.

0927-1050 Sun WeEUR 11740SMG 58 degr
0927-1050 Sun EaEU/NE 15595SMG 49 degr
17590SMG 72 degr

Somali

0345-0359 Sun EaAF 7360SMG 11625MDC
1630-1658 Sat EaAF 13765SMG 15570SMG

[NOTE NEW GREENVILLE RELAYS FOR SPANISH BELOW, 7305;
but English, French, Portuguese for Americas remain gone --- gh]

Spanish

0200-0245 daily SoAM/CUB 7305GB
1130-1200 daily CeAM/CUB 7305GB
1900-1930 Sat EaAF 11625SMG 13765SMG

Swahili

0330-0344 Sun ECAF 9660SMG 11625MDC
0330-0358 Mon-Sat ECAF 9660SMG 11625MDC
1600-1614 Sat ECAF 13765MDC 15570SMG
1600-1628 Sun-Fri ECAF 13765MDC 15570SMG

Tamil

0100-0120 daily SoAS 7410TAC 9560SMG
0220-0240 daily SoAS 15460PUG
1450-1510 daily SoAS 7585TAC 15595TIN

Tigrinya to ETH/ERI

0415-0428 daily EaAF 7360SMG 13765MDC
1645-1658 daily EaAF 13765SMG 15570SMG

Ukrainian

1740-1759 daily EaEUR 6185SMG 7360SMG

Ukrainian (Liturgy)

0712-0843 Sun EaEUR 9850SMG 11740SMG

Urdu

0025-0039 Mon/Thu SoAS 7410TAC[alternate ERV] 9560SMG
0320-0335 Mon/Thu SoAS 15460PUG replica
1415-1429 Wed/Sun SoAS 7585TAC 15595TIN

Vietnamese

1315-1400 daily SoEaAS 11835PHT 15495TIN
2315-2400 daily SoEaAS 9600PHT 12035PHT

Cancelled languages short waves: Albanian, Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Esperanto, Finnish, German, Hungarian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Norwegian, Polish, Romanian (except Liturgy), Slovak, Slovenian and Swedish.

Cancelled all European transmissions short waves in English, French, Italian (except Liturgy), Spanish and Portuguese.

Cancelled Arabic 0745-0805 Mon-Sat.

Cancelled morning transmissions SW in Belarussian, Russian, Ukrainian.

Winter schedule of Vatican Radio medium waves from Oct 28:

585 kHz

0630-0700 Latin (Mass)
0700-0715 Italian Mon-Sat
0715-0730 French Mon-Sat
0730-0745 English Mon-Sat
0830-0913 Italian (Mass) Sun
0905-1100 Papal Audience Wed
0930-1050 Oriental Liturgy Sun
1100-1130 Angelus Sun
1300-1320 Italian
1630-1700 Italian
1700-1715 French
1715-1730 English
1940-2000 Rosary
2200-2220 Italian
2220-2240 Latin compieta/compline
2240-2300 Italian

1260 kHz

0030-0100 Portuguese
0100-0145 Spanish
0310-0330 Armenian
0330-0400 Russian
0400-0420 Ukrainian
0420-0440 Belarussian
0440-0500 Lithuanian
0500-0530 Arabic
0540-0600 Bulgarian
0600-0620 Finnish Mon/Sat and Swedish Tue-Fri/Sun
0620-0640 Albanian
0900-0930 Portuguese Mon-Sat
1000-1030 Portuguese Mon-Sat
1130-1200 Spanish Mon-Sat
1330-1400 Russian
1400-1415 Spanish
1415-1430 Portuguese
1500-1530 Spanish Mon/Fri
1500-1530 Portuguese Thur
1600-1630 Portuguese
1630-1700 Arabic
1700-1730 Spanish
1800-1820 Bielorusso

1820-1840 Lithuanian
1840-1900 Latvian
1900-1920 Romanian
1920-1940 Bulgarian
1940-2000 Finnish Fri/Sun and Swedish Tue-Thur/Sat
2000-2020 Albanian
2020-2040 Philippine
2100-2130 Russian

1611 kHz
0715-0745 Ukrainian (Liturgy) Sun
1650-1710 Armenian
1710-1740 Russian
1740-1800 Ukrainian
(Vatican Radio schedule via Andreas Volk-D Munich Germany ADDX,
column transformed and updated by wb wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 16, via
DXLD Oct 20)

Re:

WB> Winter schedule of Vatican Radio medium waves from Oct 28:
WB> 1611 kHz

I think this was added by mistake. 1611 kHz was switched off on June
30 (Alexandr Diadischev, Ukraine, ibid.)

These mediumwave RV 585, 1260, and 1611 kHz outlets are STRICTLY local
transmissions of 5 kW around Rome Italy, to be heard in a circle of
30-40 kilometers around, to serve Vatican City staff and tourist
pilgrims all from over the World staying on the hotels.

1611 kHz usage has nothing to do with European wide coverage with 600
kW of the past 2-3 decades ... 73 wb df5sx (B_schel, BCDX via DXLD)

So 1611 is really on the air now with low power? (gh, DXLD)

[Later:] Sorry, Vatican Radio 1611 kHz error!
0715-0745 Ukrainian (Liturgy) Sun
1650-1710 Armenian
1710-1740 Russian
1740-1800 Ukrainian
(BC-DX TopNews Oct 16, editor)

Thanks to "Aleksandr Diadischev" <daa-dxer@yandex.ru>

This 1611 kHz item seemingly deleted in July 1st and inexplicably put
back to the B-12 xls schedule format file again. Was a small 5 kW
local mediumwave service around Vatican / Rome area for pilgrims and
tourists locally. vy73 (wolfy df5sx wwdxc ???????? Germaniya, DXLD

** VENEZUELA. 28416-USB, Oct 21 at 1922, YV5RED, CQ DX, VG signal but with background noise on his mike, then working KI7DG. QRZ.com lists:

YV5RED
Rafael Gianni
Caracas
Miranda
Venezuela
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** YEMEN. 6135, Seldom heard Radio Yemen from - registered - ALH - Al Hiswah, 24 hours 10 kW in HFCC list, heard in Arabic around 0445 UT Oct 23. Good signal into Germany, well AHEAD of BBC French service from ASC to West Africa co-channel (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 23) [See also MADAGASCAR, YEMEN mentioned on WORLD OF RADIO 1640]

** ZAMBIA. 6165, Radio 2/ZNBC, 0350, Oct 22. In English; pop Michael Jackson song; 0359 usual ad for iAutoworld; drums and African Fish Eagle IS; news; time check (i0-6-0-3i); a different ad; Hi Li music (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. 6015, ZBC Radio summary:

*0254, Oct 14. On with Spice FM intro of pop African songs.

*0301, Oct 15. No Spice FM intro today; right into reciting from the Qurían (qiraiút).

Already on at 0252, Oct 16. Spice FM intro of pop African songs; for the first time was able to hear their time pips (normally too weak for me to make them out); 0301 reciting from the Qurían (qiraiút).

Already on at 0250, Oct 17 with Spice FM intro of pop African songs; DJ talking over background music; 0301 reciting from the Qurían (qiraiút) (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It been awhile since I have been at the dials. Today, Oct 21 I observed the following.

11735, Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation (ZBC) at 1800 UT with a ZBC ID and IS them 5 plus 1 time pips at 1800:30 followed by t/c for 9 o'clock and a full Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation ID then new head lines in English. A ZBC ID at 1805:30 followed by more English news. Went into lang? before 1809. Very good signal but transmitter hum and crackle was annoying (Mickey Delmage at the Moman antenna farm near

Lamont Alberta using Perseus SDR, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. Updated A-12 of R. Voice of the People as of Oct 1:
0400-0500 9870 MDC 050 kW / 265 deg ZWE Engl/Shona/Ndebele, deleted
0721-0802 15115 MDC 250 kW / 265 deg ZWE Engl/Shona/Ndebele Sat/Sun
1600-1630 9445 MDC 050 kW / 265 deg ZWE Engl/Shona/Ndebele, deleted
1800-1900 7330 MDC 050 kW / 265 deg ZWE Engl/Shona/Ndebele Mon-Fri
1800-1900 7330 MDC 250 kW / 265 deg ZWE Engl/Shona/Ndebele Sat/Sun
(DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 21 Oct via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific carrier search around sunrise Oct 24,
1242-1244 UT, finds only 972 from the NW, weaker 738 from the west.
Likely the sesquimegawatt HLCA, KBS in Korea South, and 20 kW Tahiti,
respectively (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 800, Oct 18 at 1204 UT, ``Donald Duck`` extremely
distorted talk modulation has just started, QRMing clear XEROK, and
atop whatever pre-sunrise signal there is from KQCV OKC. Presumed one
of the NE Mexico outlets; standard remark (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 930, Oct 18 at 1237 UT in WKY OKC almost-null, slow
romantic ballads in Spanish, quite a contrast to the frenetic upbeat
music always on WKY, making SAH of approx. 2.8 Hz, losing out by 1242.
As previously discussed, KHJ Los Angeles is most likely; except the
music of the moment doesn't qualify as ranchera (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1100, Oct 19 at 1957 UT, hymns, usual marginal daytime
groundwave signal from KKLL Webb City MO, in the SW corner, but also a
fast SAH and some audible CCI, on caradio 10 miles N of Enid. What
could the understation be, with skywave starting to function? Not many
choices: KNZZ Grand Junction CO, 50 kW; KDRY Alamo Heights (San
Antonio) TX, 11 kW, both non-directional in daytime in the +500-600+
mile range; surely not WTAM Cleveland OH at almost twice the distance
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1300, Oct 20 at 0551, ``por su dolorosa pasi n``
catechisms alternating with someone saying something else --- just
like we hear on 7555 WEWN's `Por la luz de la luna`, and in fact, this
sounds the same altho not synchronized, and it's not the primary
unxuous announcer we usually hear, weekend off? So where's the EWTN
Spanish affiliate on 1300? The only one on their list at
<http://www.ewtn.com/radio/amfm.asp>
is WCKI in Greer SC, which NRC AM Log shows with 94 watts at night. I
don't believe I would be getting it even if it were on 1 kW day power.
This loops WSW/ENE. In the Log I look for other EWTN affils on 1300
but find none; how about merely SS:REL? WNQM Nashville of course, the

AM appendage of WWCR, which part of the time is in Spanish as Radio Vida, but the church in Nashville sponsoring that does not appear to be Catholic, and WNQM's 5 kW night signal is beamed away from here.

KLAR Laredo TX is SS:REL with 80 watts at night; and KKUB Brownfield TX (near Lubbock) is too, with 120 watts. Is it Catholic? Yes! in this directory: <http://www.intermirifica.net/entity.aspx?Id=4877> and the direxion fits, so KKUB is the tentative source even if R. Cat lica Mundial doesn't know about it.

The only Mexican from that direxion is XEP Ju rez, Radio Trece, which inbooms here on 38 kW daypower before sunrise, but in the nightmiddle it better be only 200 watts. Basically news format, so unlikely to switch to Catholic, but no program schedule or local website available to be linked from the group (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1540, Oct 19 at 1954 UT, CCI from at least two stations, on caradio 10 miles N of Enid; unusual in daytime. Closest are three little daytimers, two in Kansas, one in Arkansas, plus 32 kW KZMP in The Metroplex but with null to the north. It's less than a sesquihour after local mean noon at 1832 UT, but skywave must be kicking in already as the midday sun slides lower and lower. Another possibility, or even a probability, is KXEL in Iowa which is habitually one of the first distant skywave signals to kick in (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1610, Oct 19 at 1954 UT, big hum here, on caradio about 10 miles N of Enid after trapping and releasing another squirrel, (and saving oodles of pecans for ourselves!). Probably Great Salt Plains State Park TIS, which has long been neglected, allowed to deteriorate without being turned off, altho I don't recall such a strong signal from them before this far away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4752.005, heard at 1433 10/20 with substantial het from the group on 4750. F voice talked till 1438, then M voice till 1448. Once again the F voice till past 1451, but signal too weak to be sure. Carrier off air around 1454. No music (Jim Young WPC6JY, Wrightwood, CA, ICOM IC-756 ProIII, 80-M Inverted Vee, NASWA yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5920.931 ... wandered ... 5921.400 kHz and down again, registered Radio Bethel, Arequipa, Arequipa, but I guess not at this time slot, at 0505 UT Oct 20. Puzzle (Wolfgang B.schel, wwdxc BC-DX 22 Oct via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6085, Oct 20 at 1204, open carrier atop CNR1 jammer with music // 6110 and many other frequencies. Probably RTI as scheduled, rather than Sikkim, Delhi, or Krasnoyarsk (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6885, Oct 18 at 2318, JBA carrier presumably Galei Zahal, ISRAEL on new frequency ex-6973 recently reported by Brian Alexander (who credited two other guys for the tip, but since they didn't post it to me or on any list I monitor, even ones they moderate, Brian gets the nod here). I suffer from a high line noise level around 7 MHz, otherwise could surely hear it. Same problem, even worse with 6970, where Harold Frodge has been hearing a WWCR difference mixing product, 13845 minus 6875, currently in effect at 21-24 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Via CHINA? OTH Radar; 7110 through to 7185, strong at 1355 on Oct 23. QRM for 7120 Radio Hargaysa, but they were in the clear after their 1500 sign on (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Logs 16/10: 7245, ??, 0345 HoA songs S3 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Eritrea/Ethiopia wanderer? Mauritania back on? No other reports of it lately at regular hours

UNIDENTIFIED. 9580: AUSTRALIA. Radio Australia in Hindi on 9580

I couldn't get to sleep last night so I spent a lot of time at my receivers and noticed the following: 9580, AUSTRALIA, Radio Australia presumed at 0427 in Hindi with a droning instrument with sitar accompaniment to 0430 and a man with brief talk with a mention of "Australia" and back to instrumental music - Fair to Good Oct 22 -

Dan Ferguson's hfskeds.com does not list 9580 in use by RA at this hour and the WRTH does not list a Hindi service, at all. Is this something new? -- (Mark Coady, Editor, Your Reports Express, Listening In, Ontario DX Association, 829 Fife Bay Marina Lane, Peterborough, ON K9J 6X3, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

I seriously doubt it's R. Australia for several reasons: there has been no news about RA adding any languages, let alone Hindi; just because RA uses 9580 later in the UT day does not mean a station on 9580 at 0430 would be RA; a mention of ``Australia`` is hardly enough to make it RA either; 9580 from Shep to India would not be viable propagationally on a midday path (of course they might employ it via a closer relay) (nor would it work very well from Australia to Ontario at that hour).

I would sooner assume it's Vatican Radio which does in fact use 9580 for Hindi and other S Asian languages at 0025-0200, either direct or via Tashkent. Maybe this was one of their special broadcasts. Or maybe it was a one-time transmission feed mixup caused by Iran/Syria

satellite jamming which has also pushed CBC Radio One onto a Vatican relay instead of VOA in Kurdish, 11905 at 05-06. Strange things happen. Have you heard anything on 9580 subsequently at 0430? What I have heard before 0500 around 9580 is MEdi Un's off frequency transmitter on 9579.12, but if there is any modulation, that's in Arabic, maybe some French. I'll try to check it again (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks, Glenn, for your help on this matter. I have heard this in the past so this being a satellite feed mixup makes a lot of sense. I would tend to lay the blame squarely on Iran as they do have a Hindi service albeit not at that hour, either (Mark Coady, ibid.)

This was not meant to imply that the supposed Hindi you heard came from Iran, merely that their satellite jamming could have messed up some innocent bystander broadcaster (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

Nothing here near Colombo on 9580 at 0430, 10 a.m. Just a few signals, single hob ones heard. The strongest are Myanmar 9460, 9590 and 9731 kHz. Regards (Victor Goonetilleke, Oct 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

We are at the SUNSPOT maximum, anything is possible. Why not Lhasa Tibetan? XZDT - Tibet Peoples Broadcasting Station. Usual at least fair to good signals. 9580 (290degr) 0200-0930, compare to \\ 9490 kHz at same time slot. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, ibid.)

Just curious, Mark, but did you notice whether that transmitter was right on 9580?

I tried 9580 Monday evening in BC: in the 0200-hour UT, the freq. was a mess with CRI in Chinese (Aoki sez from Cuba) plus the off-frequency signal on 9579.1 that others report is a wandering Medi 1 though I can never make out any audio. In both the 0300 and 0400 hours, it was just the strong carrier from presumed Morocco.

I can't recall in all my years as a DXer of R. Oz ever branching out into any of the South Asian languages. Their focus has always been East Asia and Pacific. 73, (Theo Donnelly, Burnaby, BC, ODXA via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Hi all, wow, anyone else hearing heavy distorted transmitter signal around 11911 kHz or so? (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, <http://www.youtube.com/officialswlchannel> dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi, Gilles! Yes, I have an FM-like distorted channel centered on 11912 here in Victoria, BC. Quite strong too. I would have thought it was something local, but maybe not! It's similar to some of the point to

point FM transmitters I hear up on 26 MHz at times. Can't hear any definite audio, though (Walt Salmaniw, *ibid.*)

Please mention the times of your logs in the body, so we don't have to be going by timestamps and converting them. Gilles was at 0201, Walt at 0315 UT Oct 24 (Glenn Hauser, *ibid.*)

Thanks for the reply. Lots of signals tonight from Asia and it seems to have the propagation flutter from that area. Who knows. Still on the air at about S9 here in Montreal at 0320 UT. 73's (Gilles, *ibid.*)

Huge FMy blob distortion centered on 11912 at 0333 UT Oct 24, spreading at least 11899-11921, between 11895 Romania and 11920 Iran: some broadcast transmitter way out of whack. I don't see any likely candidates listed on 11900-11905-11915 in HFCC, so probably from further off than those. Impossible to discern language but it was all-talk.

Habana frequencies seemed to be nominal. Should have tried to rule out WEWN 11870 // 5810 but I could not find any // audio on 25m. Tnx to dxldyg tip from Gilles Letourneau in MontrÉal at 0201, also heard by Walt Salmaniw, Victoria at 0315, and still by Gilles at 0320. It was gone at my next check 0427. Needs to be sought following nights hoping for more readable clues and/or parallels anywhere (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Later: bet it was NHK Bonaire off 11935 (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13425-13470, OTR (Int'l Windshield Wiper Synchronization Service); 2217, 23-Oct; Centering on the freqs noted, but splashing 13390 to 13505; sounding rather metallic at times -- wipers need some oil? (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW Icom R3 + duckie, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15345 kHz --- Siendo las 1718 UT se escucha una transmisi n horribilmente distorsionada con locuci n femenina. No logro determinar el idioma. Seg n las listas podr a ser Cairo o Marruecos. 73 (Mois s Knochen, Montevideo, Uruguay, Oct 21, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Morocco has been gone from 15345 for many months, and also in the past month gone from its replacement 15349.1. How about RAE in Argentina; was that on? Maybe you are in its skip zone. Cairo English to Africa is also scheduled on 15345, 1600-1800 150 kW, 196 degrees from Abis, certainly the #1 ``horrible distortion`` station (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. After 1500 Sunday 21 [October], found this station in English, playing mostly album cuts and historical tips and interviews but no IDs on 15380 // 15240 // 15565, severe fading in all cases. The

latter two frequencies went with different languages by 15.30. No clues on AOKI or EIBI. What could it be?

Well, I just posted about the Mystery Station, and by 1545 I heard "VOA, MUSIC MIX". The mystery remains after all with those two // 15240 and 15565 before 15.30. 73s. Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica. 73s RAUL SAAVEDRA, COSTA RICA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I heard the same ID. Should be via Wertachtal, listed as VOA Radio Ashna, so perhaps a feed mix-up? (Walt Salmani, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15430, Oct 22 just as I tune in to a snippet of music, cuts off the air at 1401. Then a couple of split-second carrier cut-
ons, gone again. Nothing is scheduled here immediately before or after 1400 in Aoki, EiBi or HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15500, Oct 21 at 1914, open carrier with slow fades. Nothing scheduled anywhere near this time in HFCC or Aoki, but EiBi has 15500 as a possible 24-hour frequency for Sound of Hope and Firedrake (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15976-USB approx., Oct 23 at 1346, 2-way in Spanish, discussing ``fuerza del corriente``, but also ``aeronave``, so not sure if aeronautical or marine, poachers or narcotraffickers? Frequency may have been 0.5 kHz above or below (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 16207, Oct 21 at 1336 as I tune across in search of Firedrakes, sounds like a typical Egyptian or Saudi broadcast transmitter putting out frying-sounds or propeller noise, but with BFO on I can also hear RTTY, so apparently a ute transmitter also severely malfunctioned this way. Nothing listed on this exact frequency in several ute references I consult.

But in the UDXF yg there are several logs, mostly by Bruno Casula, Cagliari, Italy in the 2008-2010 era, such as:
``16.207,00 SKP22 STOCKHOLM RADIO Stockholm S LDOC J3E/USB 03-set 1413 WKG "ALITALIA-160" 1415 PHONE PATCH (BC)``

And earlier this one: ``16.207,00 U... - CIS MIL BEE/36-50 50/200 28-gen 1014 TFC KRY //16234,0 (BC)``

And from exactly 4 years ago, Eddie Bellerby reported Oct 21, 2008:
``16.207 ---:Prob Russian Naval 1524 Tue 14 Oct 08 Revs 50 - no tfc``

Altho 16207 is not in an aeronautical or marine band, but fixed up to 16360 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Jamming noise --- Glen[n], do you know where all of this jamming noise is coming from? It only happens when the HF high bands are open 14000 to 29800 between 9:30 AM to about 14:00 EST [EDT = 1330-1800 UT]. Check the following frequencies. My location is Ware, MA and my equipment is R-390A, Icom R71A receivers, antennas 136' center fed long wire and B&W Flooded [sic] Dipole. Let me know if you should come across any info; unable to get any help from hams. They think I am a dum-ass SWL Yahoo. Jim

20.001	21.004	28.875	29.005
20.190	21.038	28.887	29.022
20.688	21.055	28.904	29.038
20.705	21.057	28.921	29.055
20.721	21.074	28.955	29.072
20.739	21.090	28.971	
20.790	21.108	28.988	
20.785	21.124		
20.987	21.141		
	21.158		
	21.174		
	21.192		
	21.208		
	21.226		

(James93, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Does it sound the same on each frequency? Could you send me an audio clip? I haven't heard of other such complaints in eastern North America. Since it sticks to certain daytime hours only, I would suspect it's something near you unless:

Does it fade up and down to any extent? Does it stay there whether 14-30 MHz hams and broadcasters are propagating on a good day or not?

There is a guy in Ireland who has a similar problem, which seems to be coming from Europe, but on the lower SW frequencies (Glenn to Jim via DXLD)

Glenn, unable to do an audio clip; you will need to hear it for yourself over the air or I can let you hear it over the phone when the jamming noise starts. It is best if you can hear it for yourself (Jim ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 29933, broadcast YL, sounded Russian, not // 9420 GREECE, 1645 22/10 (Tim Bucknall, England, harmonics yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 29978 kHz mixing product --- signed on at 1500 UT Oct 21, seems to be carrying audio of ERA 5 and a music program (Tim Bucknall, Congleton UK, RDR54D1 + CLP 5130, harmonics yg via DXLD)

The third harmonic of 9935 would be 29805 (gh, DXLD)

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#### UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

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#### ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1640:

Thanks to Tom McLaughlin, Lubbock TX, for annual donation ``in memory of Gigi Lytle`` to Box 1684, Enid OK 73702 (gh)

#### TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

Thanks to David Cole, OK for a generous check (gh)

Thanks to another, anonymous via PayPal, to woradio at yahoo.com (gh)

Glenn --- please accept this as a far-too-small ``thank you`` for all of your hard work on WOR, DXLD, etc., now and in years past. 73 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, check to Box 1684)

#### PUBLICATIONS

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#### Old Radio related books

Just curious if anyone else has old story books that have radio as part of the story. I have 3 but 2 are at work and I'm off for another month. 1 of the 2 is a Radio Boys book. The 1 I have at home is copyright 1912, "The Boy Inventor's Wireless Triumph" by Richard Bonner. It's rough with water damage and a little mold plus the spine part of the cover is coming off. I'll get the other titles when I return to work (Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo CA, Oct 22, ABDX via DXLD)

The one I remember was a novel about a teenager who gets into ham radio. I think it was set in the 1950s. I read it when I was a teenager in the 1980s, but I can't remember the title or any plot details. There's a thread on eham.net about ham and SWL novels from back in the day (Tim Kridel, *ibid.*)

There was a Hardy Boys mystery, I think it was called the "Shortwave Mystery" which I read in grade school back in the 1950s. Don't remember a whole lot about it (Larry Wild, Old guy from Aberdeen, SD, *ibid.*)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_Short-Wave\\_Mystery](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Short-Wave_Mystery)  
(Tim Kridel, *ibid.*)

I think there were some "wireless" stories among the Tom Swift series too. You could probably Google everything that is in that huge series of books (Jim Pogue, Memphis, ibid.)

#### CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

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#### NIGERIA: AFRICAST 2012 CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION, OCT 23-25

AFRICAST 2012: The 9th edition of the biennial conference of Africa broadcasters, Africast with the theme 'Content Rules!' provides a networking environment for providers, distributors and marketers of broadcast content and equipment targeting the emerging African market with the practitioners, policy makers, advisers, administrators and end-users.

Africast 2012 will also provide an atmosphere of deep examination, reflection and discussion of broadcast issues by high profile key speakers with real expertise in the area of broadcast content in a digital environment. Africast 2012 will continue with the tradition of providing a market environment for manufacturers, distributors and marketers of digital broadcast equipment targeting the emerging digitized African market. The programmes competition aspect of Africast 2012 which has the theme 'Attaining the Millenium Development Goals through Broadcast Content' is a great opportunity for content producers in and about Africa.

The conference will also provide the unique opportunity of Master Classes to smoothen Africa's transition from analogue to digital terrestrial broadcasting by training its army of producers, directors, engineers and camera persons on production in a digital environment. We, in the Africast team, look forward to your participation in Africast 2012 which is scheduled for 23 - 25 October, 2012 at the Sheraton Hotel and Towers, Abuja Nigeria. SOURCE:  
<http://africastabuja.com/conference.php>  
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, Oct 19, DXLD)

#### WORLD OF HOROLOGY

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#### PIRATE RADIO WEEKEND, JUST BEFORE HALLOWEEN

Latest up-to-date information may be found on this address:  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2012/10/pirate-radio-weekend.html>

If you're broadcaster, you may sign for the pirate weekend, just by sending me an email with information about your station and operating



frequency (no matter on 6, 7, 15 MHz, on CB or any other band) and I will put the information in the blog. If you're just a listener, you may send your logs to this email. Keep in touch. 73, (Georgi Bancov, Bulgaria, Oct 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MUSEA  
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WSM TOWER/TRANSMITTER SITE OPEN HOUSE  
November 10, 2012, 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Join us Saturday, November 10 as we celebrate the 80th anniversary of our famous Blaw-Knox tower with a public open house event from our transmitter site in Brentwood, Tennessee!

WSM Tower/Transmitter Site  
2644 Concord Road  
Brentwood, TN (via Blaine Thompson, IN, Oct 22, ABDX via DXLD)

#### A VISIT TO VIM MELBOURNE RADIO

VIM was part of the Australian coast radio network and was on air from 1912 till 2002. It carried MF, HF and VHF general and safety communications with ships as well as regular weather broadcasts. This film is compiled from two visits in 1998 and 2002. Various aspects of the station and the chaps at work are seen. The station was situated on the Boneo Rd near the turn off to Cape Shank; apart from the building and a cell phone tower, nothing exists of the facility now.

Good post, it gives people an insight to how these radio stations operated - video here  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMnDN4mncSs&feature=relmfu>

Regarding shortwave [sic], the radio frequency of 2182 kHz is the international calling and distress frequency for maritime radiotelephone communications on the marine MF bands. Details here:  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2182\\_kHz](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2182_kHz)  
(Mike Terry, Oct 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS  
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GERMAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (DARC) TO OPPOSE DRAFT PLT STANDARD  
Southgate October 21, 2012

It appears the DARC will be asking the Deutsche Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies (DKE) to oppose the draft PLT standard.

The DARC decision follows a recent Board meeting, read the announcement in Google English at  
<http://tinyurl.com/DARC-Draft-PLT-Standard>

RSGB board member Don Beattie G3BJ explains the threat posed by this draft PLT standard at  
[http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/new\\_draft\\_plt\\_standard\\_pren50561\\_1.htm](http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/new_draft_plt_standard_pren50561_1.htm)

UKQRM is a group fighting this radio pollution  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UKQRM/>

Ban-PLT  
<http://www.ban-plt.co.uk/>

[http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/darc\\_to\\_oppose\\_draft\\_plt\\_standard.htm?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+AmateurRadioNews+%28Southgate+Amateur+Radio+News%29](http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/darc_to_oppose_draft_plt_standard.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+AmateurRadioNews+%28Southgate+Amateur+Radio+News%29)  
(via Mike Terry, Oct 22, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See IRELAND; UK  
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See also BULGARIA; COSTA RICA; EQUATORIAL  
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ROMANIA; SPAIN; UK; VATICAN

WILL DIGITAL RADIO MONDIALE SAVE SHORTWAVE BROADCASTING?  
by Ernie Franke October 8, 2012

Once touted as the iSavior of Shortwave, i Digital Radio Mondiale has not lived up to its hype. Proposed in 1988, with early field-testing in 2000, inaugural broadcasting in 2001 and its official rollout in 2003, DRM has had a lackluster career over the last decade.

With the allure of FM-quality audio and fade-free operation, it had appeared that DRM might revive the shortwave community. Unfortunately, it has been overcome by other events, some technical and some social. The main weakness has been alternate sources of information and entertainment, fueled by the very technology that gave DRM hope...

Full article here  
<http://www.radioworld.com/article/will-digital-radio-mondiale-save-shortwave-broadcasting/216010>  
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

"DRM RADIO TECHNOLOGY STARTS REACHING MATURITY LEVELS"

16 October 2012 Digital Radio Mondiale T. V. B. Subrahmanyam

The way technology and its products have evolved in the last one century is rather interesting. The older generation may recall the use of mechanical type-writers and cash registers, tube or valve based radios, gramophones, monochrome televisions, colour televisions and so on. Discoveries led to inventions that brought out final products. People started getting used to these products even though they were expensive initially; their popularity and then viral marketing increased the volume of sales. As markets picked up, more manufacturers started making these products. This increased the competition and then companies ploughed more money into research and development to help create cheaper products. This led to a further increase in volumes as the gadgets became more affordable.

All this sounds so logical and simple that one would wonder the purpose of elaborating it. The objective here is to show the 'Evolution Cycle'. When this evolution cycle is dependent on one parameter or technology, a uni-dimensional evolution cycle if you will, it is fairly easy to understand this evolution. Matters get more complex as we add multiple dependencies, making it a multi-dimensional evolution cycle.

Digital radios are one such example of complex product evolution cycle, thankfully dependent on only three parameters:-

- i Transmitters & broadcasting equipment
- i Radio Receivers
- i Content

Each is dependent on the other and unless and they co-exist, the technology will not be successful. Unless the technology is successful the cost of each individual item will not reduce and become affordable.

In the last 5 years, broadcasters have complained at various platforms that low cost digital receivers are not available. On the other hand, radio receiver manufacturers express the view that sufficient transmitters and content needs to be available to ensure product sales and their return-on-investment. For the common man all these three parameters need to improve and mature to get addicted to the technology for a 'must have' feeling for that product. For digital radios, these three parameters are like legs of a tripod stand. All three legs have to be sufficiently strong for a viable and stable business model.

Digital radios may be classified into two categories: a) Technologies using proprietary standards and b) Technologies based on open

standards.

Proprietary standards may be short lived and expensive for the user. There might be some exceptions to this rule. Satellite radio network WorldSpace is often cited as a classic example in the digital radio domain for an early demise of a good technology.

In the case of Digital radios based on open standards, the process is quite democratic and takes longer for all three legs of this tripod to become strong and mature. It is also well known that democratic systems are more stable in spite of slow progress and probably have better longevity. Digital Radio Mondial (DRM) is one such open standard that is making good progress in the digital radio domain. The technology has reached a stage where multiple transmitters are being installed, stimulating the radio receiver manufacturers to invest in creating the right products and then in parallel making the broadcasters think of attractive content to be created and aired. It is only a matter of time before the price of digital radios receivers will come close to the present analog radio receivers.

[http://www.drm.org/news\\_item/  
%25A0DRM\\_Radio\\_Technology\\_starts\\_reaching\\_maturity\\_levels](http://www.drm.org/news_item/%25A0DRM_Radio_Technology_starts_reaching_maturity_levels)  
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Sorry, DRM has no future, it's outdated, way far more viable and cheaper options exist, satellite and internet streaming for example. DRM has never evolved beyond the hobbyist stage. The lack of affordable receivers continues to burden DRM. Been the same story for well over a decade now (Pat Blakely, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM  
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AM DATA AT FCC, PSSA AND PSRA [post-sunset/pre-sunrise authorizations]

Glenn, Good discussion in your latest DXLD about PSSA and PSRA. This data can be very hard to track down in the FCC on-line files, and sometimes can be found only in the paper engineering files of the media bureau. And sometimes it's even missing there. And to compound the problem, when the Commission attempted to recalculate all such authorizations a few years ago, the software was defective and they were unsuccessful. So each station is authorized to keep its originally authorized operation (assuming they can find the piece of paper) but if it's questioned or they change antenna or power it's individually recalculated.

And it's worth knowing too that the CDBS data (which is from the engineering database) is all too often not complete for stations that

have unusual share time or other oddball operations (such as some of those on 1560 and 1530 and at least in the past, 1080). This occasionally trips up unsophisticated practitioners preparing the technical part of FCC applications.

Back in the '50s and early '60s PSA authority (no post sunset then except some stations on "clear" channels with limited time operation rather than just daytime) was with full daytime power starting at 4 AM local standard time. But it could be objected to and was sometimes successfully. And in much of the world (particularly at low latitudes) stations with different parameters for day and night just change at 6 AM and 6 PM local time year round. And some high power stations reduce to lower power at night just for power savings since the skywave propagation provides wider coverage (and the fade zone doesn't change with power change). (Ben Dawson, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

#### FLASH DRIVE RADIO/TV DEVICE?

How's this for a shrewd promotion? Saw this item in a coupon supplement received on October 19:

TURN ANY COMPUTER INTO A TV, RADIO OR VIDEO GAME CENTER  
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#### PROPAGATION +++++

#### DISTURBANCE STORM TIME AND MEDIUMWAVE RECEPTION

Hi, I have been corresponding with Alan Melia G3NYK (a fellow RSGB Propagation Studies Committee member) about Dst (Disturbance Storm Time). He wrote a piece back in 2004 about this:

<http://www.alan.melia.btinternet.co.uk/DstIndex.htm>

The Kyoto Dst figures are at:

[http://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/dst\\_realtime/presentmonth/index.html](http://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/dst_realtime/presentmonth/index.html)

Alan says:

"The geomag activity has been low and there has not been much to pump-up the quantity of charge in the Ring Current. That event (13/14th October) hit about -90nT and the index was above -20nT again by the 18/19th.

There may be some poor conditions coming as we have just seen an M5 and X1.8 flares, though I am not sure if the associated CME are Earth directed. The lower part of the MW will definitely be similarly affected (the 500 kHz signals are certainly affected in the same way) I don't have any data above 1000 kHz.

There is another effect (I believe; I have never had this confirmed) but I believe the E layer responsible for LF/MF DX at night can get "leaky" after a long geomagnetically quiet period. Then signal path improves after a low level event (~Kp=4) Dst down to say -50nT. This is a bit subjective, I have some data but my explanation is a bit of "kite flying". E-region ionisation seems a bit complex; many sources.

The "good sigs-high Dst" is confirmed by the NDB DXers, by the way, but that is low MF."

Not sure if this helps or not. If someone can give me some historical dates for "good" MF propagation we can check the Dst numbers.  
(Steve G0KYA, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

Hello Steve, I have been an "A" and "K" man for 30 odd years. I have read Alan Melia G3NYK links and totally agree that it has always been easy to see when high latitude MW conditions have collapsed (An A20 and K5) but when to expect a recovery has always been the question. A drop to an A4 and K1 wasn't the sign. Us "old timers" guesstimated it would start to recover after 2 or 3 days of A4s and K1s BUT it was never for certain. OM mah [Martin A Hall, Scotland] mentioned this thing I had never heard of called "Dst" for short.

Having assured myself it was not a medical condition, caused by listening to medium wave for years, I spoke to Martin to try and get a handle on how it might be useful for high latitude DXing. I am now going to keep an eye on the index to see if 20+ = good NA reception and 40+ = very good reception. I enjoyed reading your email and the links you provided. I will now keep an eye on the good old A and Ks plus the Dst. I thank you both for the new information concerning the MW hobby which has kept my attention for nearly half a century!

Best wishes (Barry :- ) Davies, (Carlisle UK, PERSEUS, 3.7m x 10m Flag + FLG100 amp), ibid.)

Dst and good TA conditions

Hi, I took your reports of good conditions and compared them with the Colorado and Kyoto Dst plots. This is tricky as the historical Colorado plots are available as charts and daily numbers. But the daily numbers are in "day of the year" format which is tricky to convert quickly.

If anyone is interested here are the links:

[http://lasp.colorado.edu/space\\_weather/dsttemerin/dsttemerin.html](http://lasp.colorado.edu/space_weather/dsttemerin/dsttemerin.html)

[http://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/dst\\_realtime/presentmonth/index.html](http://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/dst_realtime/presentmonth/index.html)

OK, using the Dst figures, here are the results, although it might be easier to look at the graphs:

08/04/11 A=5 (good for Latin American DX): Dst was zero having been -60 around the 5th/6th and recovered. It subsequently went to nearly +40 on the 10th/11th.

19/01/12 A=1 (good for North America): The Dst was pretty flat (ranging from -1 to +6). It had climbed to +18 on the 16th, down to -17 on the 17th. It shot up to 59 on the 22nd and then -69 on the 23rd.

28-29/09/12 A=[not available] (good for NA): On the 26th the Dst was up to +23, went mildly negative to -3 on the 27th and then went positive (+1 to +29) on the 28th.

19/11/11 A=1 (good for NA): Dst was climbing from zero, having been around -18 on the 15th/16th. Subsequently rose to around +18 on the 20th.

15/12/11 A=2 (good for NA): Dst was slightly negative, having been down to -20 on Dec. 10th. Subsequently rose to +20 on the 19th.

24/02/11 A=0 (good for NA): Dst was slightly negative, having been around -23 on the 19th. Subsequently rose to slightly positive (+2/3) a few days later.

09/12/09 A=0 (good for NA): Very disturbed time with lost of swings. Had been down to around -10 on the 6th and climbed back to mildly negative (-1). Subsequently rose to around +18 on the 13th.

19/10/09 A=1 (good for NA): Dst had been mildly negative on the 16th (-8?), then recovered to +10. Went very negative on the 23rd to -40.

07/11/09 A=0 (good for NA): Dst had been negative -10 on the 4th, then rose to about +15 on the 8th. Subsequently went very negative on the 9th (-22).

06/10/09 A=1 (good for NA) Dst had been mildly negative on the 4th (-10). Subsequently rose to more than +20 on the 4th. Remained positive thereafter.

If we can gain anything from this, there may be a trend where the Dst has been strongly negative two-three days before and has recovered to positive figures on the day of good conditions. Within two-three days of this the Dst would go strongly positive.

Over the last month we haven't really had any conditions like that. The closest would have been around Oct 5 (four days after the Dst was around -140).

And perhaps Oct 16th when the Dst recovered from around -100.

As you can see, I have added the middle latitude K index figures from:

[http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/indices/old\\_indices.html](http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/indices/old_indices.html)

What is also blatantly apparent is that the A index was very low on each occasion (but nothing new there either).

Looking at the current POES Auroral Oval plots suggests that signals from the eastern seaboard are NOT passing through the auroral oval at the moment.

But I also have reports of Scottish stations hearing the West Coast of the USA on 28 MHz - beyond midnight! So we have odd conditions.

My best guess as to the current poor TA conditions is a) that is still very early in the season and the ionosphere is still changing from its summer to winter chemistry b) we might be getting increased D layer absorption due to the higher solar flux. This could theoretically linger on into the night, although I don't think it is.

So, if the Dst theory holds we should look for a strongly negative Dst that then improves to positive a few days later, coupled with a low A index and in the November-January period.

It is currently Dst -9 to -12. If it improves over the next few days it will be interesting to see how the band behaves.

Open to suggestions! This is just pie-in-the-sky theory at the moment (Steve GOKYA, *ibid.*)

Hi Steve, Interesting! At the end of each month I insert A/K tables and Dst graphs into my log, and am able to look back over the month for correlation with conditions. In due course I'll try dig out some



data, it's just that I'm going to be rather busy for the next 2 or 3 weeks, so I don't know when I'll be able to do it. Having raised the subject, I ought to contribute to the discussion!

In the last few years we've often had a frustrating spell for a few weeks in October when the A/K indices have been low, but MW DX conditions on north-westerly paths (i.e. to the west coast of North America) have been poor. The correlation between good conditions and A/K index usually gets better during November and December.

Interestingly, the recent poor openings to the prairies have occurred when reception from the east coast has been very poor, and Latins have been coming in well - isn't propagation a fascinating subject?

Over the years, the conclusion I've come to is that you've just got to keep listening, whatever the predictions - it's during the poor or disturbed conditions that less common stations can often be heard.

73 (Martin (a.k.a. GM8IEM) A. Hall, Clashmore, Scotland. Perseus SDR, RPA-1 preamp, MFJ-1026 phaser (modified), beverages: 545m at 338 degrees, 490m at 276 degrees, 500m at 279 degrees, 488m at 233 degrees, all terminated, K9AY at 76 degrees, ibid.)

Just to throw a cookie in, there is one interesting theory that the E layer gets "leaky" after a prolonged spell of quiet geomagnetic conditions.

Then the signal path improves after a low-level event ( $K_p=4$ ) and Dst down to say -50nT. This is a bit subjective, but Alan Melia, our LF expert is watching it.

He says the "good sigs-high Dst" correlation is confirmed by the NDB DXers. That is low MF, but is a start. The other theory is that an extended auroral oval can block MF signals from NA, but there has been no sign of that for a week or so.

I also need to read up on E layer chemistry - the change from molecular to atomic Nitrogen (which is easier to ionise) in winter applies to the F layer I believe.

I have lots of books here, but they are hardly "50 Shades of Grey" in terms of readability. More like "50 shades of greyline"!

One is "The High Latitude Ionosphere and its Effects on Radio Propagation" by Hunsucker and Hargreaves. This discusses the auroral oval and effects on MF.

The Top Band (160m) hams are as eager as anyone else to better

understand propagation at MF. There is a lot of work on E-layer ducting too - Carl K9LA has written a paper on it:

See

[http://www.google.com/url?](http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0CCAQFjAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fmyplace.frontier.com%2F~k9la%2F160m_Ducting_and_Spotlight_Propagation.pdf&ei=xtSHUKTbI6m90QXYy4HgBA&usg=AFQjCNGjdooFwppblWCpUdnj9RFu809t0A&cad=rja)

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(Steve G0KYA, Chairman, RSGB Propagation Studies Committee, Oct 24, ibid.)

### Correlating Reception Conditions with Dst

Here are some additional thoughts on Dst. In my experience, a positive indicator usually occurs during good conditions on paths from the north-west (mid-west, prairies, west coast NAm); paths to the north-eastern states tend to improve as well e.g most of the month of November 2011 was pretty good - look at the red plot (see DX Loggings in MWN Dec 11 for details, though it doesn't tell the whole story).

However, the plot of Dst above is quite unusual - more often it is very peaky, e.g. in November 2010 as shown below, red plot. Good reception correlated well with the peak of 8 November, and conditions were also good around the 20th - I didn't do any DXing around the 27th, so I can't compare.

Hence, in my experience, any positive value of Dst should result in good propagation paths towards the areas mentioned above. What correlates with good openings to the Caribbean and Latin America is another matter ...

I'm interested in the experience of other members. Why not see if your own periods of good reception correlate with positive Dst and low A/K indices? Archive plots of Dst are available at:

[http://lasp.colorado.edu/space\\_weather/dsttemerin/archive/dst\\_years.html](http://lasp.colorado.edu/space_weather/dsttemerin/archive/dst_years.html)

and archive values of A/K indices can be obtained from:

[http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old\\_indices/](http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old_indices/)  
(select the DGD.txt files for the quarter or year of interest).

73 (Martin A. Hall, Clashmore, Scotland, Oct 25, ibid.)

F. K. Janda, OK1HH: Weekly forecasts from Ondrejov for the period October 19 - November 20, 2012

Solar activity forecast for the period October 19 - 25, 2012

Activity level: very low to low

X-ray background flux (1.0-8.0 A): in the range B2.0-B8.0

Radio flux (10.7 cm): a fluctuation in the range 100 - 140 f.u.  
Events: class C (0-10/day), class M (0-4/period), class X (0/period),  
proton (0-1/period)  
Relative sunspot number (Ri): in the range 35 - 90

Astronomical Institute, Solar Dept., Ondrejov, Czech Republic  
e-mail: sunwatch(at)asu.cas.cz (RWC Prague)

Geomagnetic activity forecast for period October 19-November 20, 2012

Geomagnetic field will be:

quiet on October 19 - 22, 25 - 26, 29, 31.  
mostly quiet on October 23 - 24, November 1, 3.  
quiet to unsettled on October 30, November 2, 7 - 8.  
quiet to active on October 27, November 6, 9.  
active to disturbed on October 28, November 4 - 5, 10.

High probability of changes in solar wind which may cause changes in  
magnetosphere and ionosphere is expected on October (21, 23,) 27.  
November (3,) 4 - 8(, 9).

F. K. Janda, OK1HH, Czech Propagation Interest Group  
(OK1HH & OK1MGW, weekly forecasts since 1978)  
e-mail: ok1hh(at)rsys.cz (via Dario Monferini, DXLD)

Geomagnetic field activity was at unsettled levels early on 15  
October, then decreased to quiet levels for the rest of the period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 22 OCTOBER-17 NOVEMBER 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels during 22  
October - 02 November with M-class flare activity likely from Region  
1598. Activity is expected to decrease to low levels during 03 - 17  
November. However, there will be a chance for M-class flare activity  
beginning 15 November as (old) Region 1598 returns to the visible  
disk.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater  
than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at  
mostly high levels during 22 - 24 October. A decrease to normal to  
moderate flux levels is expected during 25 October - 04 November. An  
increase to mostly high flux levels is expected during 05 - 17  
November.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled  
levels during 22 - 23 October with a slight chance for active levels  
due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). Quiet levels are  
expected during 24 October - 07 November. An increase to unsettled

levels is expected on 08 November due to a solar sector boundary passage followed by a co-rotating interaction region in advance of a CH HSS. A further increase to active to minor storm levels is expected on 09 November due to the onset of a CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to active levels on 10 November as CH HSS effects subside. A further decrease to quiet levels is expected during 11 - 17 November.

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## 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table

## Issued 2012-10-22

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| # UTC       | Radio Flux | Planetary | Largest  |
|-------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| # Date      | 10.7 cm    | A Index   | Kp Index |
| 2012 Oct 22 | 145        | 10        | 3        |
| 2012 Oct 23 | 140        | 10        | 3        |
| 2012 Oct 24 | 140        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 25 | 135        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 26 | 130        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 27 | 130        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 28 | 125        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 29 | 120        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 30 | 110        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Oct 31 | 110        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 01 | 110        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 02 | 100        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 03 | 100        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 04 | 105        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 05 | 110        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 06 | 115        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 07 | 115        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 08 | 120        | 10        | 3        |
| 2012 Nov 09 | 120        | 20        | 5        |
| 2012 Nov 10 | 120        | 15        | 4        |
| 2012 Nov 11 | 120        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 12 | 125        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 13 | 125        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 14 | 130        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 15 | 135        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 16 | 135        | 5         | 2        |
| 2012 Nov 17 | 135        | 5         | 2        |

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1640, DXLD) ###